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1 **[There is no reportable action as a result of the**
2 **Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]**

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS JULY 25TH, 2006 MEETING WILL BEGIN WITH A PRAYER
8 BY DR. BILLY INGRAM OF THE MARANATHA COMMUNITY CHURCH IN THE
9 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, THE SECOND DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES AND
10 RICARDO LIRA, WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE POST AMERICAN LEGION EL
11 MONTE 251, WHO WILL LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. SO
12 DR. BILLY INGRAM WILL LEAD US IN PRAYER.

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14 **DR. BILLY INGRAM:** GOOD MORNING. DEAR GOD, OUR HEAVENLY FATHER,
15 WE COME TO YOU TODAY AND WE THANK YOU. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR
16 WORD WHICH SAYS, IF MY PEOPLE WHO ARE CALLED BY MY NAME SHALL
17 HUMBLE THEMSELVES AND PRAY AND SEEK MY FACE AND TURN FROM
18 THEIR WICKED WAYS, THEN WILL I HEAR FROM HEAVEN AND WILL
19 FORGIVE THEIR SIN, WILL HEAL THEIR LAND. LORD, WE ASK THAT YOU
20 WOULD HEAL OUR LAND AND HEAL THIS COMMUNITY. WE PRAY SHALOO
21 SHALOM YAROSHALIM, WE PRAY FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM, WE PRAY
22 FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. IN TIMES LIKE THESE, LORD, WE
23 HAVE NOWHERE ELSE TO TURN BUT TO YOU AND I PRAY FOR THIS BOARD
24 THAT YOU WOULD BLESS EACH ONE ON IT AND KEEP THEM, BE GRACIOUS
25 TO THEM, CAUSE YOUR FACE TO SHINE UPON THEM, LIFT UP YOUR



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1 COUNTENANCE UNTO THEM AND GRANT THEM PEACE, PROTECTION AND
2 YOUR POWER, GRANT THEM YOUR GUIDANCE AND I PRAY THAT THE BEST
3 DAYS OF THEIR PAST WOULD BE THE WORST DAYS OF THEIR FUTURE. IN
4 THE MIGHTY NAME OF OUR LORD, AMEN.

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6 **RICARDO H. LIRA:** PLEASE PUT YOUR RIGHT HAND ON THE HEART AND
7 FACE THE FLAG. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** YES. WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE DR. BILLY INGRAM,
12 WHO HAS SERVED THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY FOR OVER 34 YEARS.
13 HE'S FOUNDER OF MARANATHA OF COMMUNITY CHURCH WHERE HE HAS
14 SERVED AS PASTOR FOR OVER 26 YEARS. HE IS ACTIVE IN THE
15 COMMUNITY ON RADIO, IN THE SCHOOLS AND ON THE STREETS HELPING
16 THE DOWNTRODDEN. CURRENTLY, DR. INGRAM IS UNDER CONTRACT,
17 LENDING HIS VOICE TO A NOTEWORTHY PROJECT CALLED THE BIBLE
18 EXPERIENCE WHICH FEATURES DENZEL WASHINGTON AND HIS WIFE,
19 PAULETTA; BLAIR UNDERWOOD AND ANGELA BASSETT. THEY'RE AMONG
20 MORE THAN 80 BLACK CELEBRITIES READING, SINGING AND COMPOSING
21 MUSIC FOR A NEW 70 HOUR GENESIS THROUGH REVELATIONS DRAMATIC
22 AUDIO PERFORMANCE OF THE SCRIPTURES. IN ADDITION, HE HAS JUST
23 RELEASED AN INSPIRATIONAL BOOK AND C.D. ENTITLED "IN TIMES
24 LIKE THESE." WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE YOU WITH US, DOCTOR. [
25 APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RICARDO LIRA IS A MEMBER, AS I SAID,
3 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 261, IN EL MONTE. HE'S A RESIDENT
4 OF AZUSA. HE'S MARRIED WITH THREE CHILDREN, SERVED IN THE
5 UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, SAW ACTION IN VIETNAM WHERE HE
6 RECEIVED A COMBAT ACTION MEDAL, METAL OF GOOD CONDUCT, A
7 VIETNAM CAMPAIGN MEDAL AND A VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL AND THE
8 NATIONAL DEFENSE MEDAL. SO, RICARDO, THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN
9 AND LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [APPLAUSE]

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE
12 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 7. ON ITEMS 1
13 THROUGH 11, WE WILL HOLD THESE ITEMS FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING,
14 EXCEPT FOR ITEM NUMBER 3 AND, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN
15 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION
16 REQUESTS THAT THE PROCEEDINGS BE TERMINATED AND THAT THE
17 MATTER BE REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY BURKE TO REFER IT BACK
20 TO THE DEPARTMENT, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 9, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF
23 SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 12 THROUGH 26. AND, ON ITEM NUMBER 13,
24 SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO." THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY KNABE, SECONDED WITH
2 MOLINA VOTING "NO." SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 12, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER,
5 ITEMS 27 THROUGH 29. ON ITEM NUMBER 27, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN
6 SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET, SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
7 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO AUGUST 8TH, 2006.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY MOLINA. SECONDED. WITHOUT
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** COMMISSION ON INSURANCE, ITEM 30. ON THIS
13 ITEM, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
14 VOTE "NO" ON AB 2.889 AND AB 2.991. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
15 VOTES "NO" ON SENATE BILL 1534 AND SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
16 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH VOTE "NO" ON SENATE BILL 1622.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY
19 BURKE, AS STATED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
20 SO ORDERED.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, ITEMS 31 AND 32. ON
23 ITEM 32, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
2 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 33 AND, ON
5 ITEM 33, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD, AN
6 ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5, PERSONNEL AND TITLE 6, SALARIES OF
7 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO FIRE DEPARTMENT
8 EMPLOYEES.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY MOLINA. SECONDED. WITHOUT
11 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION, ITEMS 34 AND 35.
14 ON ITEM 34, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO."

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED WITH MOLINA
17 VOTING "NO" SO ORDERED. MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
18 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
19 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF
20 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
21 36-A.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 36-B.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
4 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS
7 FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE BOARD, AS NOTED ON
8 THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET, ITEM A-3 FROM PAGE 22 OF THE
9 JULY 18TH, 2006 AGENDA, HOLD THIS ITEM FOR A MEMBER OF THE
10 PUBLIC. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
12 NO. 4.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME FIRST WELCOME OUR NEW CONSUL-
15 GENERAL FROM THAILAND, THE HONORABLE JUKR BOON-LONG, WHO HAS
16 NOW JOINED THE CONSULAR CORPS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HE
17 RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN LAW FROM THAILAND AND
18 A MASTER'S DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS FROM
19 THE UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT IN MICHIGAN. CONSUL-GENERAL JOINED
20 THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN 1984 AS AN ATTACHE IN
21 SOUTHEAST ASIA DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS. HE
22 HAS SERVED IN THE ROYAL THAILAND'S EMBASSIES IN WASHINGTON,
23 D.C., HANOI AND BERLIN. IN LOS ANGELES, HE IS HERE WITH HIS
24 WIFE, CORMORANT, AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN. THEY ARE GOING TO
25 BE WELCOMED TO OUR DIPLOMATIC CORPS. WE HAVE OVER 90 CONSUL



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1 GENERALS POSTED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, MAKING NEW YORK, HONG
2 KONG AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAVING THE MOST FOREIGN
3 GOVERNMENTS POSTED IN THEIR REGIONS. SO, CONSUL-GENERAL,
4 WELCOME, WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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6 **THE HONORABLE JUKR BOON-LONG:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU
7 FOR THE GREAT HONOR AND WARM WELCOME AND THE KIND WORDS.
8 REALLY IS A GREAT HONOR TO BE HERE WITH THE DISTINGUISHED
9 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ALSO THE LADIES AND
10 GENTLEMEN OUT THERE WHOM I BELIEVE IS A FRIEND OF THAILAND. I
11 WAS TOLD THAT THE COUNTY, ESPECIALLY HER PEOPLE AND THE BOARD
12 MEMBER-- MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAVE BEEN SO KIND
13 TO OUR THAI COMMUNITY HERE, TO THE WORK OF THIS OFFICE OF
14 CONSULAR GENERAL AND WE'RE SO GRATEFUL FOR THIS. AND, ON OUR
15 PART, I MYSELF AND MY STAFF AND MY OFFICE, IF WE CAN BE OF ANY
16 HELP TO YOU, TO THE BOARD AND TO THE COUNTY, PLEASE DON'T
17 HESITATE TO LET US KNOW. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'D LIKE TO
20 CALL FORWARD OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE CHIEF, P. MICHAEL
21 FREEMAN, AND FROM THE FIRE MUSEUM ASSOCIATION, CAPTAIN JOE
22 HOYJACK, CAPTAIN PAUL SNYDER, CAPTAIN HOWARD SCHNEIDER, KEN
23 JERRY, DAVE BOUCHER AND GILL GARCIA. WE'RE GOING TO MAKE SOME
24 RECOGNITIONS TODAY TO THE FIRE MUSEUM ASSOCIATION. THE COUNTY
25 OF LOS ANGELES FIRE MUSEUM ASSOCIATION IS COMPRISED OF OVER



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1 SOME 2,500 MEMBERS WHOSE MISSION IS TO PROMOTE AND PRESERVE
2 THE HISTORICAL FIRE EQUIPMENT AND ARTIFACTS IN KEEPING WITH
3 THE FIRE SERVICE TRADITION FOR THE BENEFIT OF ASSOCIATION
4 MEMBERS, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FOR THE EDUCATION AND
5 ENJOYMENT OF THE PUBLIC AT LARGE. THE MUSEUM ASSOCIATION HAS
6 OVER 40 ANTIQUE FIRE ENGINES, DATING BACK TO THE 1860S, AS
7 WELL AS MANY OTHER HISTORICAL ARTIFACTS. IN APRIL OF 2006, THE
8 FIRE MUSEUM ASSOCIATION WAS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN 100TH
9 ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT EARTHQUAKE AND FIRE IN SAN FRANCISCO
10 IN 1906. THE FIRE MUSEUM PROUDLY REPRESENTED THE COUNTY OF LOS
11 ANGELES BY PROVIDING THREE STEAM FIRE ENGINES, HORSE TEAMS AND
12 A SUPPORT STAFF LED BY OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE FIGHTERS.
13 THE STEAM FIRE ENGINES WERE THE SAME TYPE OF FIRE ENGINE THAT
14 ORIGINALLY RESPONDED TO THE SAN FRANCISCO FIRE IN 1906 AND
15 ADDED TO THE HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE EVENT. SO WE WANT
16 TO RECOGNIZE THAT BUT I WOULD JUST ADD, AND I'M GOING TO ASK
17 HER TO COME UP HERE AND JOIN ME, IN FINDING OUT AND
18 TRANSPERING EMAILS ABOUT THIS WHOLE PROCESS, IT CAME TO MY
19 ATTENTION THAT MY FORMER PRESS DEPUTY, JOHN MICELLA, HIS
20 GRANDFATHER OWNED THE PUMPING UNIT THAT WAS TAKEN TO SAN
21 FRANCISCO AND SO GRANDPA EAGLE, WHO I HAD THE PLEASURE OF
22 MEETING PRIOR TO HIS PASSING, AND THEN JOHN'S MOTHER'S HERE
23 WITH HIM, BARBARA. DO YOU WANT TO COME UP AND WE'LL HAVE SOME
24 PHOTOS, AS WELL, TOO, BUT TO THANK THE MICELLA FAMILY FOR THAT
25 KIND DONATION AND ALSO MADE THE TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO. SO,



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1 CHIEF AND JOE AND EVERYONE, I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS
2 PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF THE FIRE MUSEUM ASSOCIATION FOR
3 YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT 1906
4 EARTHQUAKE BUT ALSO TO THANK YOU FOR PRESERVING THE GREAT
5 HISTORY OF PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST PREMIER FIRE DEPARTMENTS
6 IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **P. MICHAEL FREEMEN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HONORABLE MAYOR,
9 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, OUR MUSEUM ASSOCIATION IS THE PRODUCT OF
10 COUNTLESS HOURS OF VOLUNTEER TIME OF THESE MEN AND WOMEN AND
11 MANY OTHERS WHO ARE NOT HERE WITH US THIS MORNING BUT THEY
12 HAVE DONE A TREMENDOUS CREDIT TO THE HISTORY OF THE FIRE
13 SERVICE IN CALIFORNIA BUT MOST ESPECIALLY THE HISTORY OF THE
14 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT. THROUGH THEIR TIRELESS
15 EFFORTS IN THE COLLECTION, PRESERVATION AND RENOVATION OF
16 ANCIENT AND AGED FIRE EQUIPMENT, THEY HAVE GIVEN ALL OF US A
17 VERY CLEAR PICTURE AND APPRECIATION OF THE PROUD HISTORY AND
18 TRADITION OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT. IT WAS
19 TRULY AN HONOR FOR OUR DEPARTMENT FOR THIS COUNTY OF LOS
20 ANGELES AND CERTAINLY THE MUSEUM ASSOCIATION TO BE INVITED TO
21 PARTICIPATE IN THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT SAN
22 FRANCISCO EARTHQUAKE. SO WE JOIN WITH YOU AND WE APPRECIATE
23 YOUR BOARD'S RECOGNITION OF THIS WONDERFUL ACCOMPLISHMENT AND
24 THE HARD WORK OF OUR FIRE FIGHTERS MUSEUM ASSOCIATION. SO



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1 THANK YOU VERY MUCH ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION AND THE
2 ENTIRE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** CHIEF FREEMAN ASSURED ME HE WAS NOT ON THAT TRUCK
5 IN 1906. [LIGHT LAUGHTER].

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** NEXT, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO CALL UP MR. TOM MORGAN,
8 WHO IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GOLF
9 ASSOCIATION. THE SCGA IS ONE OF THE LARGEST REGIONAL AMATEUR
10 GOLF ASSOCIATIONS IN THE COUNTRY, SERVING OVER 1,200 MEMBER
11 CLUBS AND OVER 165,000 INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS. TOM HAS HAD OVER 40
12 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE TO THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
13 ATHLETIC POPULATION. BEFORE BECOMING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
14 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GOLF ASSOCIATION IN THE EARLY '90S, HE WAS
15 THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF ATHLETICS FOR THE CIF, SOUTHERN
16 SECTION AND THE ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SCGA AND
17 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTURY CLUB OF SAN DIEGO AND
18 THE BUICK INVITATIONAL, CALIFORNIA, WHICH IS JUST A PGA GOLF
19 TOURNAMENT, JUST TO NAME A FEW. SO, ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES
20 AND THE CITIZENS OF THIS COUNTY, WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR
21 FOUR PLUS DECADES OF SERVICE TO THE ATHLETIC AND GOLFING
22 POPULATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND WISH TOM THE VERY, VERY
23 BEST IN HIS RETIREMENT. HE'S HAD A VERY POSITIVE IMPACT, NOT
24 ONLY ON ALL ATHLETICS BUT GOLF IN PARTICULAR, PARTICULARLY
25 JUNIOR GOLF FOR KIDS. AND SO WE WANT TO SAY A HEARTFELT



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1 THANKS, WISH HIM GOOD HEALTH AND A GREAT RETIREMENT. TOM? [
2 APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** NEXT, I'D LIKE TO ASK DALE HARBOR DAY AND DEEDEE
5 HICKS FROM THE VOLUNTEER CENTER SOUTH BAY LONG BEACH TO COME
6 FORWARD. TODAY, WE'RE HONORING THE VOLUNTEER CENTER FOR THEIR
7 EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY. THIS IS JUST A
8 MAGNIFICENT AWARD. RECENTLY, THE VOLUNTEER CENTER WAS NAMED
9 THE TOP VOLUNTEER CENTER FOR 2006 AT THE ANNUAL POINTS OF
10 LIGHT NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN SEATTLE. THE CENTER WAS CHOSEN
11 FROM SOME 400 VOLUNTEER CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES
12 OF AMERICA. THE VOLUNTEER CENTER SUPPORTS AND OVERSEES
13 ACTIVITIES FOR THE SOUTH BAY, HARBOR AND LONG BEACH
14 COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING CREATING A NEW SUPPORT GROUP FOR THEIR
15 ANNUAL SCHOOL BACKPACK DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM FOR THE FIRST
16 GRADERS IN NEED, ORGANIZING A DRIVE TO COLLECT AND SHIP MORE
17 THAN 7,000 POUNDS OF SUPPLIES IN NEW ORLEANS TO THOSE AFFECTED
18 BY HURRICANE KATRINA AND IS SERVING MORE THAN \$1 MILLION OF
19 IN-KIND DONATIONS TO CHILDREN THROUGHOUT THEIR SERVICE AREA,
20 RECRUITING AND MATCHING VOLUNTEERS TO LOCAL SERVICE
21 OPPORTUNITIES. SO, ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES AND
22 THE CITIZENS OF THIS COUNTY, AGAIN, WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS
23 SCROLL IN RECOGNITION OF SUCH A SIGNIFICANT AWARD AS THE
24 NUMBER ONE VOLUNTEER CENTER IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
25 FOR 2006. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **DEEDEE HICKS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE REALLY EXCITED ABOUT
3 THIS. THE VOLUNTEER CENTER SOUTH BAY HARBOR LONG BEACH, THE
4 BOARD, THE VOLUNTEERS, THE STAFF, AND SUPPORTERS, THANK YOU
5 FOR THIS RECOGNITION. THE VOLUNTEER CENTER HAS MANY DIFFERENT
6 SOCIAL PROGRAMS BUT ONE OF OUR MAIN PURPOSES IS TO RECRUIT
7 VOLUNTEERS FOR 600 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN THE SOUTH BAY.
8 NOW, WE NOT ONLY RECRUIT THE VOLUNTEERS, WE HAVE A GREAT
9 TRAINING PROGRAM FOR OUR YOUTH AND WE ARE EVEN STARTING
10 SERVICE LEARNING TO THE LITTLE FIRST GRADERS WHEN WE DELIVER
11 BACKPACKS TO THEM. NOW, I COULD GO ON AND ON BUT I WILL SPARE
12 YOU THAT, I WON'T DO IT BUT I WILL TELL YOU THAT WE DO HAVE
13 SOMETHING A LITTLE UNIQUE. WE SAVED A HISTORICAL BUILDING IN
14 TORRANCE AND IT WAS A MORTUARY BUILDING BUT IT HAS MADE A
15 WONDERFUL PLACE FOR US TO HAVE OUR MAIN OFFICE AND WE'RE VERY
16 PROUD OF HAVING DONE SOMETHING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AS WELL.
17 COME BY TO SEE US SOME TIME AT 1230 CRAVENS AVENUE IN
18 TORRANCE. IT'S ONE OF OUR OFFICES AND WE ALSO HAVE FIVE
19 SATELLITE OFFICES. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
20 KNABE. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AT THIS TIME, IT'S A SAD TIME BECAUSE
23 WE WANT TO SAY GOOD-BYE TO A VERY GOOD FRIEND, A SUPERB
24 ADMINISTRATOR, AN INDIVIDUAL COMPETENT LEADER THAT WAS A
25 POSITIVE ROLE MODEL FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY BUT, MORE



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1 IMPORTANTLY, FOR THE CHILDREN THAT HE WAS ABLE TO ASSIST TO
2 FIND LOVING, PRODUCTIVE HOMES AND A FUTURE. DR. SANDERS, WHO
3 HAS SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
4 FAMILY SERVICES FOR THE PAST 3-1/2 YEARS, HAS PROVIDED A CLEAR
5 FOCUS SUPPORTING INNOVATIONS TO INCREASE CHILD SAFETY AND
6 PERMANENCY AND THE DEPARTMENT HAS EXPERIENCED SUCCESS, MANY,
7 MANY SUCCESSES UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP. SINCE DR. SANDERS'
8 ARRIVAL 3-1/2 YEARS AGO, THE COUNTY'S FOSTER CARE ROLES HAVE
9 DECREASED BY 26%. 42% OF CHILDREN REMOVED FROM THEIR PARENTS
10 ARE NOW REUNIFIED WITHIN A YEAR OF THEIR REMOVAL. ADOPTIONS
11 HAVE BEEN FINALIZED ON NEARLY 6,000 CHILDREN OVER THE PAST
12 THREE YEARS. THE LENGTH OF TIME CHILDREN SPEND IN FOSTER CARE
13 HAS BEEN REDUCED BY 30%, ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF. HE HAS
14 DEMONSTRATED A SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP BY EFFECTIVELY
15 REACHING OUT TO STAKEHOLDERS AND FAMILIES IN OUR COUNTY TO
16 HELP CHILDREN IN NEED. THIS PAST MARCH, OUR OFFICES
17 COLLABORATED ON A FAITH-BASED OUTREACH BREAKFAST TO ENGAGE
18 CHURCHES AND SYNAGOGUES ON BEHALF OF OUR FOSTER YOUTH. SO, DR.
19 SANDERS, WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, YOUR
20 VISION, THE ABILITY TO SHOW THAT PROPER MANAGEMENT CAN MAKE A
21 DIFFERENCE IN A CHILD'S LIFE AND A COUNTY'S ABILITY TO PROVIDE
22 THE SERVICES, THE QUALITY SERVICES THAT WE ARE ENTRUSTED TO
23 PROVIDE. SO, DR. SANDERS, GOD BLESS YOU AND CONTINUED SUCCESS
24 IN YOUR NEW POSITION WITH THE CASIE FOUNDATION, WHICH WILL BE



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1 HELPING FOSTER CHILDREN IN THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES. [

2 APPLAUSE]

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4 **DR. DAVID SANDERS:** I WANT TO THANK MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND THE
5 BOARD. THE DEPARTMENT'S SUCCESS OVER THE LAST 3-1/2 YEARS HAS
6 REALLY BEEN DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE LEADERSHIP OF THE
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THE MAYOR, THROUGH HIS LEADERSHIP ON THE
8 PERMANENCY PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE AND CONCURRENT PLANNING, HAS
9 ASSURED THAT OLDER YOUTH WILL ACHIEVE LEGAL PERMANENCY FASTER
10 THAN EVER BEFORE AND THAT THOSE YOUTH WILL NOT LANGUISH IN
11 FOSTER CARE AND WILL HAVE A START TO A SUCCESSFUL LIFE.
12 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THROUGH THE CREATION OF THE OFFICE OF
13 INDEPENDENT REVIEW AND THE FOCUS ON CHILDREN ON SKID ROW. THE
14 OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW HAS RESULTED IN INCREASED
15 ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY FOR THE DEPARTMENT AND BOTH
16 INITIATIVES WILL RESULT IN IMPROVED SAFETY FOR CHILDREN.
17 SUPERVISOR BURKE, THROUGH HER SUPPORT OF THE COMPTON PROJECT
18 AND POINT OF ENGAGEMENT HAS ASSURED THAT THE DEPARTMENT NOW
19 ENGAGES FAMILIES DIFFERENTLY THAN EVER BEFORE, RESULTING IN
20 MORE CHILDREN BEING SERVED SAFELY AND THEIR FAMILIES.
21 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THROUGH THE EDUCATION COORDINATING
22 COUNCIL AND THE PREVENTION INITIATIVE, HAS DONE TWO CRITICAL
23 THINGS: HAS ASSURED THAT THE DEPARTMENT AND THE COUNTY FOCUS
24 ON PREVENTING ABUSE OR NEGLECT IN THE FIRST PLACE AND, WHEN
25 CHILDREN ARE PLACED, ASSURE THAT THEY THRIVE THROUGH



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1 EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS. AND FINALLY, SUPERVISOR KNABE, THROUGH
2 THE PREVENTION INITIATIVE, THROUGH SAFELY SURRENDERED BABIES
3 AND THROUGH CO-LOCATION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, HAS CHANGED OUR
4 RELATIONSHIP WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT SO THAT WE'RE WORKING
5 EFFECTIVELY IN INVESTIGATIONS AND THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY
6 LAW HAS NOT ONLY SAVED THE LIVES OF OVER 40 NEWBORNS BUT EVERY
7 SINGLE ONE OF THEM HAS EITHER BEEN ADOPTED OR IS WITH A FAMILY
8 THAT HAS COMMITTED TO ADOPTING THEM. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
9 LEADERSHIP AND FOR ASSURING IMPROVED OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN IN
10 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANKS ALSO TO DAVID JANSSEN FOR HIS
11 VISION AND COMMITMENT AND THANKS TO OTHER DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS
12 FOR THEIR SUPPORT. AND, FINALLY, I WANT TO THANK THE STAFF OF
13 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. THE DEPARTMENT
14 HAS BEEN GIVEN THE INCREDIBLE RESPONSIBILITY OF ASSURING THE
15 SAFETY, STABILITY AND WELLBEING OF OVER 40,000 CHILDREN EVERY
16 DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, 21,000 OF WHOM ARE IN FOSTER CARE.
17 AND, THROUGH THEIR VERY HARD WORK, THEIR COMPETENT WORK,
18 CHILDREN ARE SAFER AND MORE STABLE TODAY THAN EVER BEFORE AND
19 I'M CONFIDENT THE IMPROVEMENT WILL CONTINUE, SO THANK YOU. [
20 APPLAUSE]

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, BEFORE WE TAKE THE
23 PHOTOGRAPHS, I WANT TO JUST SAY A WORD AND REALLY TO REITERATE
24 YOUR COMMENTS EARLIER WHEN YOU PRESENTED THE PROCLAMATION,
25 BECAUSE I DON'T-- I DON'T THINK THAT DR. SANDERS' WORK OUTSIDE



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1 THE COUNTY FAMILY IS APPRECIATED NEARLY ENOUGH. CERTAINLY,
2 BEFORE HE CAME, THIS WAS ONE OF THE MOST TROUBLED DEPARTMENTS,
3 IF NOT THE MOST TROUBLED DEPARTMENT, IN THE COUNTY. THERE WERE
4 STORIES ABOUT IT, GRUESOME STORIES ABOUT IT ALMOST EVERY WEEK
5 IN MORE THAN ONE NEWSPAPER IN THIS CITY. IT WAS A TRANSPARENT
6 EMBARRASSMENT TO COUNTY GOVERNMENT. WE FOUND THE RIGHT MAN AND
7 BROUGHT HIM OUT OF THE COLD IN MINNESOTA AND, IN THREE YEARS,
8 THAT'S ALL HE'S BEEN HERE, IS THREE YEARS, HE'S TURNED THAT
9 DEPARTMENT AND POINTED IT IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION AND IT'S ON
10 ITS WAY TO WHERE IT SHOULD BE. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY, AS ONE
11 MEMBER OF THE BOARD, ALL OF US APPRECIATE YOUR KIND WORDS
12 ABOUT THE BOARD BUT THE FACT IS, YOU'RE THE MAN WHO IS CHARGED
13 WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EXECUTING AND DOING THE JOB, AND WE
14 GAVE YOU OUR BACKING BUT YOU DID THE WORK AND IT WAS YOUR
15 BRILLIANCE, YOUR SKILL THAT HAS TAKEN ONE OF THE MOST TROUBLED
16 DEPARTMENTS AND MADE IT, I THINK, ONE OF THE GREAT SUCCESS
17 STORIES THAT I'VE EVER BEEN PRIVILEGED TO BE A PART OF AND TO
18 WATCH HOW YOU OPERATE. IT'S A TERRIBLE THING YOU'RE LEAVING. I
19 WILL NEVER FORGIVE YOU FOR IT. [LAUGHTER]

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND-- BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, I'LL NEVER GIVE
22 THE CASIE FAMILY FOUNDATION FOR STEALING YOU FROM US BUT WE
23 UNDERSTAND WHAT AN OPPORTUNITY THIS IS FOR YOU. BUT, IN THREE
24 SHORT YEARS, YOU HAVE LEFT AN INDELIBLE IMPRINT ON THE



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1 CHILDREN OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [

2 APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD A FEW

5 THINGS. CERTAINLY DR. SANDERS HAS BROUGHT CREATIVITY TO OUR

6 DEPARTMENT. BUT WHAT HE HAS DONE IS THAT HE HAS ESTABLISHED

7 PROGRAMS THAT WILL HAVE A NATIONAL IMPACT AND WE HOPE THAT, AS

8 HE GOES TO THE CASIE FOUNDATION, THAT THEY WILL SEE FIT TO

9 GIVE HIM TIME TO COME BACK TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND TO

10 PROVIDE FOR US SOME RESOURCES WHERE WE CAN CONTINUE SOME OF

11 THE INITIATIVES THAT HE HAS AND SOME OF THOSE THAT WERE ON THE

12 DRAWING BOARD BECAUSE THERE IS A WIDER IMPACT THAT CAN BE

13 BENEFITED FROM OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CASIE FOUNDATION AND

14 THEN ESTABLISHING THIS KIND OF RELATIONSHIP WHERE WE'LL BE

15 ABLE TO DEVELOP MORE AND MORE PROGRAMS OUT OF THIS UNIQUE

16 COMMUNITY THAT CAN AFFECT THE ENTIRE NATION. WE DON'T WANT TO

17 LOSE YOU BUT WE RECOGNIZE THERE IS A POSSIBILITY WE CAN

18 CONTINUE THIS RELATIONSHIP. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] [APPLAUSE

19 CONTINUES]

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IN THE FIELD OF PUBLIC SAFETY, WE

22 RECOGNIZE ANOTHER GIANT TODAY, IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE.

23 LITERALLY. AND THAT'S OUR CHIEF STEVE SIMONIAN, WHO IS NOW

24 RETIRING FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S

25 OFFICE AFTER 5-1/2 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE. HE BEGAN HIS



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1 CAREER AS A POLICE OFFICER IN THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO. HE MOVED
2 UP THE RANKS TO BECOME CHIEF OF POLICE IN 1989. HE RETIRED
3 FROM THE MONTEBELLO POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 1998 AS THE CHIEF OF
4 POLICE, CONTINUED HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE BY BEING A COUNCIL
5 MEMBER OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, WHERE HE CURRENTLY SERVES AS
6 THE MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF LA HABRA. IN 2000, CHIEF SIMONIAN
7 WAS SELECTED BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO SERVE AS THE CHIEF OF
8 THE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOR OUR COUNTY'S DISTRICT
9 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. IN 2006, HE RECEIVED THE LIFETIME
10 ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY, THE ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES DEPUTY
12 SHERIFFS' LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD AND HONORARY MEMBERSHIP
13 IN THE CHIMERA SOCIETY. SO, STEVE, WE THANK YOU FOR MANY, MANY
14 DEDICATED YEARS OF SERVICE. I KNOW DISTRICT ATTORNEY STEVE
15 COOLEY WILL MISS YOUR LEADERSHIP BUT WE KNOW DAN RAVETTI, THE
16 NEW CHIEF WILL BE FOLLOWING IN YOUR FOOTSTEPS IN PROVIDING
17 THAT INTEGRITY AND LEADERSHIP AND POSITIVE ROLE MODEL FOR OUR
18 COMMUNITY, SO CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **CHIEF STEVE SIMONIAN:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE MAYOR FOR THIS
21 BEAUTIFUL SCROLL. 40 YEARS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT'S A LONG, LONG
22 TIME. BASICALLY, JUST RAN OUT OF GAS, AND, AT THE PRICE OF GAS
23 TODAY, COULDN'T AFFORD THE FILL THE TANK BACK UP, SO I'M
24 LEAVING. BUT I GET TO TELL YOU THAT I'VE MADE A LOT OF PUBLIC
25 APPEARANCES BUT THIS ONE MADE ME EXTREMELY NERVOUS BECAUSE,



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1 WHEN I GOT THE AGENDA AND I SAW THAT I FELL BETWEEN AN ANTIQUE
2 MUSEUM AND A PET AUCTION, THE SLIGHTEST MISTAKE I COULD HAVE
3 SPENT THE REST OF MY LIFE IN REAL TURMOIL, SO I APPRECIATE THE
4 STAFF'S ABILITY. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MR. DAVID JANSSEN, THE
5 C.E.O., FOR ALWAYS TREATING OUR OFFICE WITH RESPECT AND
6 FAIRNESS. IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING WITH YOU, DAVID, AND
7 THE ENTIRE BOARD, I FELT, IT'S ALWAYS BEEN AN HONOR TO WORK
8 FOR YOU AND WITH YOU ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF L.A. COUNTY. I
9 WILL MISS YOU ALL DEEPLY. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE DISTRICT
10 ATTORNEY FOR HONORING ME, FOR ALLOWING ME TO SERVE THE LAST 5-
11 1/2 YEARS AND I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY REPLACEMENT IN THE
12 AUDIENCE TODAY IS DOMINIC REVETTI, THE NEW CHIEF OF THE BUREAU
13 OF INVESTIGATIONS. DOM, IF YOU'D STAND UP. [APPLAUSE] DOM
14 AND I GO BACK SOME 30 YEARS. HE'S A GREAT GUY AND WILL DO A
15 GREAT JOB. THANK YOU ALL. I'LL MISS YOU ALL.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DISTRICT ATTORNEY STEVE COOLEY.

18

19 **STEVE COOLEY:** THE DA'S BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION PERFORMS A VERY
20 SPECIAL TASK IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT WORLD. IN THE DA'S OFFICE,
21 THEY NOT ONLY HELP US PUT CASES TOGETHER BUT THEY HANDLE
22 CASES, ORIGINAL JURISDICTION, INCLUDING PUBLIC INTEGRITY
23 INVESTIGATIONS, INVESTIGATIONS OF OUR JUSTICE SYSTEM IN TERMS
24 OF INTEGRITY ISSUES, MANY COMPLEX FRAUDS, A WIDE VARIETY OF
25 THOSE. IT TAKES A SPECIAL PERSON TO BE A BUREAU INVESTIGATOR



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1 AND IT TAKES A VERY SPECIAL PERSON TO LEAD THAT GREAT LAW
2 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY. STEVE SIMONIAN WAS THE FIRST PERSON I
3 APPOINTED AFTER I WAS ELECTED. IT WAS, I MUST SAY, A BRILLIANT
4 APPOINTMENT. HE'S LED THE BUREAU IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY ARE
5 VERY WELL TRAINED, THEY HAVE A HIGH SENSE ESPRIT DE CORPS AND
6 THEY'RE HIGHLY PROFESSIONAL. YOU CAN READ ABOUT THEIR EXPLOITS
7 AND THEIR WORK EVERY DAY BUT IT TAKES GREAT LEADERS TO LEAD A
8 GREAT LAW ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATION IN THIS COUNTY AND THE
9 D.A.'S OFFICE AND WE'RE BLESSED WITH THE SERVICES OF CHIEF
10 STEVE SIMONIAN, WHO FINISHED HIS 40 YEARS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT,
11 THE LAST 5-1/2 BEING THE CHIEF OF A VERY GREAT PROFESSIONAL
12 LAW ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATION, THE L.A. COUNTY D.A.'S OFFICE,
13 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, SO THANK YOU, CHIEF, FOR A JOB WELL
14 DONE. [APPLAUSE]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IN THE BACK, WE WOULD LIKE TO
17 RECOGNIZE THE DALIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL, THEY'RE HERE ON AN
18 EXCHANGE PROGRAM FOR THE SUMMER, THESE STUDENTS. IF YOU'D
19 PLEASE STAND UP FROM LIAU NING, CHINA, AND THE THE BEAUTIFUL
20 CITY OF DALIAN AND THEY'RE STUDYING IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
21 FOR THE SUMMER IN A STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM, SO WELCOME TO
22 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW FOR THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
25 EDUCATION, WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE DANIEL MILLER, WHO IS



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1 RETIRING AFTER 20 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE. WITH US, DANIEL
2 TODAY IS SOPHIA WAH, WHO IS L.A. COUNTY OFFICE EDUCATION BOARD
3 PRESIDENT AND REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL
4 DISTRICT; ELIZABETH LIMB, WHO IS THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT;
5 PHIL ANSHELD, WHO IS THE D.P.S.S. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF BUREAU
6 PROGRAM POLICY; MARGARET QUINN, D.P.S.S. CHIEF, GAIN PROGRAM,
7 AND HIS WIFE, FRANCES, AND A FRIEND, BILL. A RESIDENT OF LA
8 CRESCENTA, DAN IS THE CURRENT DIVISION DIRECTOR OF L.A.
9 COUNTY'S OFFICE OF EDUCATION'S GREATER AVENUES TO
10 INDEPENDENCE. A KEY PARTNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
11 SOCIAL SERVICES GAIN AND GROW WELFARE-TO-WORK PROGRAMS. HE HAS
12 COMMITTED HIMSELF TO COLLABORATING WITH THE D.P.S.S. AND
13 COMMUNITY LEADERS IN BUILDING SELF-SUFFICIENCY THROUGH
14 EMPLOYMENT AND TRANSFORMING THE PORTRAIT AND PACE OF WELFARE
15 REFORM. HE'S RETIRING FROM A LONG AND ACCOMPLISHED CAREER IN
16 PUBLIC TEACHING AND VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION,
17 INCLUDING WORK AS AN INDUSTRIAL ARTS INSTRUCTOR AND
18 OUTSTANDING BOYS BASKETBALL COACH FOR LA CANADA HIGH SCHOOL.
19 HE'S ALSO SERVED AS DISTRICT COORDINATOR FOR VOCATIONAL
20 PROGRAMS AS LA CANADA'S REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE LOS ANGELES
21 COUNTY'S REGIONAL OCCUPATION PROGRAM, OPERATED IN PARTNERSHIP
22 BY THE OFFICE OF EDUCATION, WITH 22 LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS. HE
23 JOINED L.A.C.O.E.'S R.O.P. AS COORDINATOR IN CHARGE FOR THE
24 JOB PLACEMENT UNIT POSITION WHICH HAS DIRECTLY-- LED HIM
25 DIRECTLY TO WORK IN THE GAIN WELFARE REFORM INITIATIVE. SO,



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1 DAN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY GOOD YEARS OF SERVICE AND
2 PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND A FUTURE FOR THOSE
3 INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE GONE THROUGH YOUR PROGRAMS. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **DANIEL MILLER:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISORS MOLINA, BURKE,
6 YAROSLAVSKY, AND KNABE. ON BEHALF OF THE L.A.C.O.E. GAIN AND
7 GROW TEAM, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR ENTRUSTING US WITH
8 THIS VITAL WORK. I'M HUMBLLED TO ACCEPT THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT,
9 FULLY REALIZING IT'S DUE TO A GREAT STAFF AT THE BOARD OF
10 EDUCATION, LED BY MY FRIEND AND ADVOCATE, SOPHIA WAH, DR.
11 DARLENE ROBLES, A SUPERINTENDENT WITH PASSIONATE VISION,
12 ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, ELIZABETH LYNN, A KIND,
13 COMPASSIONATE SUPERVISOR AND VERY COLLABORATIVE AND POSITIVE
14 PARTNER IN D.P.S.S. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, FOR ENVISIONING
15 AND DEMANDING A PROGRAM OF QUALITY FOR OUR COUNTY'S WELFARE
16 PARTICIPANTS. ..(VOICE WAVERING)... THEY HAVE PROVEN THAT,
17 WITH A HELPING HAND, THEY CAN RETURN TO THE PATH OF ACHIEVING
18 THE AMERICAN DREAM. [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SPEAKER:** AS YOU CAN SEE, DAN IS A VERY PASSIONATE PERSON AND
21 HE'S LOVED EVERY MOMENT THAT HE HAS SERVED THIS COUNTY AND ITS
22 CITIZENS. ON BEHALF OF OUR SUPERINTENDENT, DR. DARLENE ROBLES,
23 WE'RE GOING TO MISS DAN BUT HE'S GOING TO BE WITH HIS FAMILY
24 THAT HE LOVES SO DEARLY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** WE'VE PROVEN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT PARENTS AND
2 SINGLE ADULTS RECEIVING WELFARE CASH ASSISTANCE HAVE THE
3 ABILITY AND THE WILL TO MAKE THE TRANSITION FROM WELFARE TO
4 WORK AND WE PROVED IT FIRST AHEAD OF ANY OTHER MAJOR URBAN
5 AREA IN THIS COUNTRY. DAN MILLER, THROUGH HIS LEADERSHIP AT
6 L.A.C.O.E., HAS BEEN A CORE PARTNER IN THAT EFFORT AND IT WAS
7 DAN'S VISION AND PASSION AND BELIEF IN THE ABILITY OF PARENTS
8 AND SINGLE ADULTS ON WELFARE THAT WE'RE AT THE HEART OF WHAT
9 WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH IN HELPING SO MANY WELFARE
10 PARTICIPANTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IMPROVE THEIR LIVES THROUGH
11 EMPLOYMENT. WE'RE GOING TO MISS DAN BUT WE'RE GOING TO LOOK
12 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE GREAT TEAM THAT HE HAS LED AND
13 BUILT OVER THE YEARS IN CONTINUING TO HELP THOUSANDS OF
14 WELFARE RECIPIENTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY MAKE THE SUCCESSFUL
15 TRANSITION FROM WELFARE TO WORK. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE A LITTLE 20-WEEK-OLD
18 TERRIER MIX, DOROTHY, WHO IS LOOKING FOR A HOME AND IT LOOKS
19 LIKE A DISNEY MOVIE CRITTER. LITTLE DOROTHY FROM THE WIZARD OF
20 OZ, ANYWAY, LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY'D LIKE TO ADOPT HER,
21 YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644 AND LITTLE DOROTHY WILL BE YOURS.
22 SEE EVERYBODY? HMM? WE'RE GOING TO HAVE HER TALK TO SYLVESTER
23 ON HOW TO BEHAVE ON THE CAMERA FROM LAST WEEK. OKAY.
24 SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD JONATHAN STRICKLAND AND
2 ROBIN PETGRAVE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF TOMORROW'S AERONAUTICS
3 MUSEUM. JONATHAN IS ONLY 14 YEARS OLD AND HAS BROKEN FOUR
4 WORLD RECORDS IN HIS BRIEF BUT SUCCESSFUL AERONAUTICAL CAREER.
5 HE IS THE YOUNGEST PERSON TO SOLO BOTH A HELICOPTER AND
6 AIRPLANE ON THE SAME DAY, THE YOUNGEST AFRICAN-AMERICAN SOLO
7 HELICOPTER, THE YOUNGEST AFRICAN-AMERICAN TO FLY A HELICOPTER
8 INTERNATIONAL AND THE YOUNGEST AFRICAN-AMERICAN TO FLY A
9 HELICOPTER ROUNDTrip INTERNATIONALLY. JONATHAN IS NO STRANGER
10 TO CHALLENGES. THIS PAST JUNE, HE WENT TO CANADA TO QUALIFY
11 FOR HIS PILOT'S LICENSE, WHERE THE QUALIFYING AGE IS 14,
12 UNLIKE IN THE UNITED STATES OF 16. HE TOOK TWO P-STAR WRITTEN
13 EXAMS, WHICH INCLUDED 50 QUESTIONS FOR THE AIRPLANE EXAM AND
14 200 QUESTIONS FOR THE HELICOPTER EXAM. HE ACED BOTH OF THESE
15 EXAMS WITH 90 AND 93% SCORES. WE MUST ACKNOWLEDGE WHO MADE
16 THIS EXPERIENCE POSSIBLE, TOMORROW'S AERONAUTICAL MUSEUM,
17 THROUGH THE LEADERSHIP OF SANDRA MANLEY OF NORTHROP GRUMMAN
18 CORPORATION AND NORTHROP GRUMMAN PROVIDED THE FUNDING FOR THE
19 PROGRAM, IN ADDITION TO THE MONEY FOR JONATHAN'S TRIP TO
20 CANADA. TOMORROW'S AERONAUTICAL MUSEUM IS A NONPROFIT
21 ORGANIZATION LOCATED IN COMPTON, DEDICATED TO TEACHING
22 ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED MINORITY CHILDREN HOW TO FLY AND,
23 OF COURSE, ROBIN PETGRAVE IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHIEF
24 FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR. HIS VISION HAS RESULTED IN RECORDS IN
25 FLYING BEING SET BY MINORITY BLACK AND LATINO CHILDREN TRAINED



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1 TO FLY IN THE MUSEUM'S AVIATION EXPLORER PROGRAM. I'D ALSO
2 LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE LEVI THORNHILL OF THE L.A. CHAPTER OF
3 TUSKEGEE AIRMAN. HE'S PRESENT WITH US HERE TODAY. AND I KNOW
4 IT MEANS A GREAT DEAL, I'M SURE, TO THE TUSKEGEE AIRMEN, WHO
5 WERE THE ONES WHO LED THE WAY IN FLYING IN TERMS OF AFRICAN-
6 AMERICANS, THAT THEY NOW SEE THIS WHOLE GENERATION OF YOUNG
7 PEOPLE COMING UP AND ESTABLISHING ALL OF THESE RECORDS AND HE
8 HAS PROVIDED INSPIRATION, MENTORING, LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE
9 TO THE YOUTH INVOLVED IN THIS PROGRAM. I'M ALSO VERY PLEASED
10 TO SAY TO JONATHAN STRICKLAND THAT HIS RECORD-SETTING
11 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ROBIN PETGRAVE FOR YOUR VALUABLE SERVICE
12 AND ALL OF THIS INSTRUCTION YOU PROVIDED IS REALLY-- YOU'RE
13 PROVIDING ROLE MODELS FOR SO MANY YOUNG PEOPLE AND WE
14 APPRECIATE SO MUCH WHAT YOU HAVE DONE AND WE ONLY HOPE THAT
15 THERE ARE MORE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO COME ALONG AND HAVE A CHANCE
16 TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS WAY. AND IT TAKES ALSO DEDICATED ADULTS
17 WHO HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE AND THE WILLINGNESS TO SPEND THE TIME
18 BUT IT ALSO TAKES SOME VERY TALENTED YOUNG PEOPLE LIKE
19 JONATHAN. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **JONATHAN STRICKLAND:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME TO
22 THIS MEETING. MY NAME IS JONATHAN, YOU ALREADY KNOW. I FLEW TO
23 CANADA A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO AND THE TRIP WAS OVER 1,000 MILES
24 ONE WAY. WHEN I GOT TO CANADA, I TOOK MY P-STAR FOR THE
25 AIRPLANE, IT WAS 50 QUESTIONS, I GOT A 90 ON IT. FOR THE



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1 HELICOPTERS, IT WAS 200 AND I GOT A 93 ON IT AND A DAY-- A
2 COUPLE DAYS AFTER I TOOK THE TEST, I WENT TO MY HOTEL ROOM,
3 GOT SOME SLEEP AND THE NEXT DAY I SOLOED IN A AIRPLANE AND IN
4 A HELICOPTER IN THE SAME DAY. ANY QUESTIONS? [LAUGHTER] [
5 APPLAUSE]

6

7 **ROBIN PETGRAVE:** THANK YOU FOR THE STANDING OVATION. THAT WAS
8 REALLY WONDERFUL. MY NAME IS ROBIN PETGRAVE AND I'M THE
9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE TOMORROW'S AERONAUTICAL MUSEUM. WHAT
10 YOU ARE SEEING IS AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT PEOPLE CAN DO IF THEY PUT
11 THEIR MINDS TO IT. THE TUSKEGEE AIRMEN WHO WERE MY MENTORS,
12 WHO WERE MY INSPIRATION, YOU KNOW, 60 YEARS AGO, THEY PROVED
13 TO THE WORLD THAT IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT YOU LOOK LIKE BUT IF
14 YOU HAVE HEART AND ETHICS AND PERSEVERANCE, YOU WILL PERSEVERE
15 AND THEY SET A RECORD THAT'S NEVER BEEN TOUCHED BY ANY IN
16 HISTORY. THEY NEVER LOST A BOMBER TO ENEMY FIGHTERS AND LEVI
17 THORNHILL, WHO RUNS THE CHILD'S PROGRAM FOR THE TUSKEGEE
18 AIRMEN, AND OTIS, BIG O IS WHAT HE LIKES TO BE CALLED, HE SET
19 UP THE MUSEUM. IT'S BEEN WONDERFUL TO HAVE THE SUPPORT OF
20 COUNTY SUPERVISOR BURKE AND IT'S GREAT DOWN THERE IN COMPTON
21 TO BE PART OF GOOD NEWS COMING OUT OF THAT CITY. ON OUR WAY TO
22 CANADA, EVERYWHERE WE STOPPED, PEOPLE KNEW WHO WE WERE. IT WAS
23 REALLY COOL. NORTHROP GRUMMAN HAS BEEN AN INTEGRAL PART OF
24 HELPING US TO MAKE THIS WHOLE THING POSSIBLE BUT, AGAIN,
25 THERE'S SO MUCH MORE WE COULD DO AND, WITH SOME ASSISTANCE,



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1 YOU'LL SEE THIS PROGRAM OPEN UP IN CITIES AND COUNTIES ALL
2 ACROSS THE COUNTRY BECAUSE ALL KIDS IN THIS COUNTRY HAVE THE
3 SAME PROBLEM: AFTER SCHOOL LACK OF ACTIVITIES AND WE FEEL THAT
4 WE COULD BE A POSITIVE PART OF THE SOLUTION OF THAT. SO THANK
5 YOU VERY MUCH FOR HAVING US HERE AND THIS KID DID A PHENOMENAL
6 JOB BUT IT'S ALL DUE TO THE PARENTS AND THE TUSKEGEE AIRMEN
7 BACK HERE. THAT'S THE INSPIRATION. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WE HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PARENTS, MR. AND
10 MRS. STRICKLAND OVER HERE. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO CALL CALL FORWARD CHARLES TAYLOR. MR.
13 TAYLOR STARTED WITH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION 1983.
14 THROUGH HIS C.D.C. CAREER, CHARLES HAS ACHIEVED NUMEROUS
15 ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT INCLUDE DRAFTING LEGISLATION FOR THE
16 FIRST MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HOUSING REHABILITATION LOAN BOND
17 ISSUE; DEVELOPING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
18 CORPORATION; AS A MANAGER OF HOUSING FINANCE, HE INITIATED THE
19 COUNTY TAX EXEMPT MULTI-FAMILY BOND PROGRAM, IN ADDITION TO
20 DEVELOPING AND MANAGING THE HOUSING MORTGAGE REVENUE BOND
21 PROGRAM BY ENHANCING CREDIBILITY FOR C.D.C. WITH DEVELOPERS
22 AND LENDERS. IN 1990, HE DEVELOPED THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
23 SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, LATER CALLED THE
24 BUSINESS FINANCE CENTER. BY 1995, IT WAS THE SEVENTH LARGEST
25 SBA LOAN PRODUCER IN THE COUNTY. HIS WORK HAS DIRECTLY



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1 RESULTED IN THE PROVISION OF UNPRECEDENTED AFFORDABLE HOUSING
2 OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. IT'S WITH
3 PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT TO MR. TAYLOR, CHARLES TAYLOR,
4 COMMENDING HIM FOR 23 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS
5 ANGELES. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **CHARLES TAYLOR:** THIS IS A TREMENDOUS HONOR FOR ME TO HAVE
8 SERVED THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND, THROUGH THIS BOARD, TO
9 SERVE THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND I COULDN'T
10 HAVE DONE ANY OF THESE THINGS WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE
11 SPLENDID STAFF AND THERE ARE PEOPLE WHOSE FACES HERE HAVE
12 WORKED WITH ME FOR YEARS AND I'VE NEVER FORGET THEM. AND THE
13 HONOR TO ME OF WORKING WITH A TEAM, PUT TOGETHER BY CARLOS
14 JACKSON, CORDEI QUREIA, WHO REALLY MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR ALL OF
15 THESE THINGS TO HAPPEN. I STARTED IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, I
16 GOT MARRIED IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, MY HEART IS THERE. THANK
17 YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I SEE THAT YOUR WIFE IS HERE AND HER FATHER.

20

21 **CHARLES TAYLOR:** AND HARRY MARLOW, HER FATHER.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** WHO IS A LONG-TIME COUNTY WORKER FOR THE SECOND
24 DISTRICT. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. LET'S TAKE A PICTURE. [
25 APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S ALWAYS NICE TO SEE HARRY MARLOW, WHO SPENT SO

3 MANY YEARS HERE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS

4 ANGELES. WE'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD PHILIP BROWNING, DIRECTOR

5 OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES. WE HAVE ALL OUR CHILD SUPPORT

6 SERVICE PEOPLE HERE. THE MONTH OF AUGUST HAS BEEN DESIGNATED

7 AS CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

8 THE L.A. COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS THE

9 LARGEST LOCALLY OPERATED CHILD SUPPORT SERVICE AGENCY IN THE

10 NATION, MANAGING ABOUT 500,000 CASES REPRESENTING 26% OF THE

11 STATE'S CHILD SUPPORT CASELOAD. IN 2005, CHILD SUPPORT

12 SERVICES COLLECTED OVER 505 MILLION IN SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN

13 AND FAMILIES OF L.A. COUNTY. THE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYS OVER 1,600

14 DEDICATED CHILD SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS AND HANDLES FOUR MILLION

15 CALLS ANNUALLY AND 10,000 WALK-IN VISITORS MONTHLY. CSS

16 RECEIVED, FROM THE NATIONAL CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

17 ASSOCIATION, THE PROGRAM AWARENESS AWARD FOR ITS EMPLOYER

18 WORKSHOP, THE MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR WEST COVINA

19 DIVISION CHIEF, CHARLES MANDEL, AND THE JUDICIAL OFFICER OF

20 THE YEAR AWARD FOR COMMISSIONER ROBERTO LEE, THE SUPERVISING

21 COMMISSIONER OF THE FOURTH D CHILD SUPPORT COURT. I'M PROUD TO

22 PRESENT PHILIP BROWNING, DIRECTOR OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES,

23 WITH A PROCLAMATION FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST AND PROCLAIMING IT

24 AS CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS

25 ANGELES. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **PHILIP L. BROWNING:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND ALL OF THE
3 BOARD, MR. MAYOR. WE REALLY HAVE APPRECIATED YOUR SUPPORT OVER
4 THE LAST FEW YEARS. IT HAS BEEN FANTASTIC. BEHIND ME, I HAVE
5 SOME REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DEPARTMENT WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR
6 THE PROGRESS THAT WE'VE MADE OVER THE LAST FOUR OR FIVE YEARS.
7 I HAVE SHERYL SPILLER, JULIE PACK, LISA GARRETT, LORRI CRUZ,
8 GAIL JULIANO, AL REYES AND WE HAVE A MEMBER OF OUR ADVISORY
9 BOARD, REGGIE BRASS HERE. WITHOUT ALL OF THESE INDIVIDUALS AND
10 THE HUNDREDS OF STAFF WE HAVE WORKING TODAY TO ANSWER 15,000
11 CALLS, WE REALLY COULD NOT PERFORM THE SERVICE THAT'S SO
12 CRITICAL TO THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I REALLY DO
13 THINK WE HAVE MADE AN AWFUL LOT OF PROGRESS IN THE LAST FEW
14 YEARS BUT IT'S ONLY BECAUSE OF THE HARD WORK OF THIS BOARD.
15 AND WE HAVE THIS MONTH A NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES THAT I HOPE SOME
16 OF YOU WILL BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN. ONE OF THE ONES THAT
17 COMES TO MIND IS WITH K.M.E.X., THE SPANISH LANGUAGE
18 TELEVISION SHOW. WE'LL HAVE ABOUT 40 OF OUR SPANISH SPEAKING
19 STAFF OVER THERE AND, LAST YEAR, OVER 40,000 CALLS CAME IN
20 DURING ABOUT A FOUR-HOUR PERIOD. JUST ABOUT CHILD SUPPORT. SO
21 I THINK, WHEN YOU SEE THAT WE TOUCH THE LIVES OF ABOUT ONE OUT
22 OF EVERY FIVE PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THAT GIVES YOU A
23 LITTLE BIT OF THE MAGNITUDE OF OUR DEPARTMENT. WE SO
24 APPRECIATE ALL OF YOUR HARD EFFORTS IN OUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU.
25 [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY, AS A-- APPOINTED AS A
3 COMMISSIONER BY MIKE ANTONOVICH TO SIT ON THE BOARD WITH THE
4 CHILD SUPPORT AND RUNNING AN ORGANIZATION CALLED MY CHILD SAYS
5 DADDY, YOU WOULD THINK THAT WE, AS MEN, WOULD HAVE A LOT OF
6 NEGATIVE THINGS TO SAY ABOUT THE CHILD SUPPORT BUT, WITH MR.
7 BROWNING'S DIRECTION AND EDUCATION, IT IS SHOWING US HOW TO
8 WORK WITHIN THE SYSTEM AND COMING OUT AND MEETING WITH A LOT
9 OF MEN THAT WERE AND USED TO BE ANGRY AT ONE PARTICULAR TIME.
10 HE HAS EDUCATED US ON HOW TO WORK WITHIN THE SYSTEM AND SHOWN
11 US HOW WE CAN BE VERY-- BRINGING IN AND PAYING OUR CHILD
12 SUPPORT THE WAY THAT WE SHOULD DO. ALSO, HIS DIRECTION AND
13 GUIDANCE HAS OPENED UP SO MANY DOORS FOR A LOT OF US BECAUSE,
14 YOU KNOW, WE'VE BEEN AROUND FOR 17 YEARS AND A LOT OF OUR
15 MEMBERS CAN NOW SAY THAT I THOUGHT I WOULD NEVER, EVER BE ABLE
16 TO SAY SOMETHING POSITIVE ABOUT THE CHILD SUPPORT SYSTEM. BUT,
17 WHEN PHILIP BROWNING CAME ON, HE HAS CHANGED A LOT OF WAYS ON
18 HOW TO COLLECT MONEY AND EDUCATING US AS MEN ON BEING
19 RESPONSIBLE, AND I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU, MR. PHILIP BROWNING.
20 [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** FINALLY, WE'D LIKE TO ASK JOYCE BROWN, PRINCIPAL
23 OF DREW MIDDLE SCHOOL, TO COME FORWARD. MRS. BROWN HAS BEEN
24 THE PRINCIPAL OF DREW MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR 25 YEARS, WITH A TOTAL
25 OF 38 YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.



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1 NOT ONLY IS SHE A LEADER IN HER CAPACITY AS PRINCIPAL OF DREW
2 MIDDLE SCHOOL, SHE IS ALSO INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY AS A
3 MEMBER OF THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT TEAM.
4 SHE HAS BROUGHT THE FLORENCE- FIRESTONE COMMUNITY TOGETHER BY
5 HER EFFORTS OF OFFERING STUDENTS AND FAMILIES AN OPPORTUNITY
6 TO ENVISION A BETTER WORLD WHERE THEY CAN PURSUE AND FULFILL
7 THEIR DREAMS. EARLY IN HER CAREER, SHE HAD THE FORESIGHT TO
8 CALL RIVAL GANGS TOGETHER IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY TO COME TO A
9 MUTUAL AGREEMENT DECLARING DREW MIDDLE SCHOOL AS NEUTRAL
10 SPACE. FEARLESS AND STRONGLY COMMITTED TO HER STUDENTS, SHE
11 FREQUENTLY LEADS THE CHARGE WITH TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS AND
12 SCHOOL POLICE THROUGH SURROUNDING STREETS AND ALLEYS TO ENSURE
13 STUDENT SAFETY TO AND FROM SCHOOL. STAFF BOASTS DREW MIDDLE
14 SCHOOL IS KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT AS HAVING A SPECIAL
15 SPIRIT OF WARMTH AND CARING THAT PENETRATES THE NEEDIEST HEART
16 AND IT ONLY CAME ABOUT THROUGH THE GREAT PERSONAL SACRIFICE BY
17 JOYCE BROWN. SHE'S WORKED TIRELESSLY FOR 25 YEARS AT DREW
18 MIDDLE SCHOOL AND WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY
19 TO RECOGNIZE HER BEFORE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR HER 25 YEARS OF
20 DEDICATED SERVICE. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **JOYCE BROWN:** I THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE. I WOULD LIKE TO
23 HAVE THE PEOPLE FROM CHARLES DREW MIDDLE SCHOOL THAT ARE IN
24 THE AUDIENCE, IF YOU WOULD PLEASE STAND. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **JOYCE BROWN:** I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US,
2 BECAUSE CERTAINLY I COULD NOT HAVE DONE THIS ALONE AND BEHIND
3 ME ARE PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN WITH ME FOR THE ENTIRE TIME THAT
4 I'VE BEEN AT DREW, INCLUDING PARENTS AND STUDENTS WHO LEFT,
5 WENT TO COLLEGE, CAME BACK TO TEACH, INCLUDING ONE OF YOUR
6 STAFF WHOSE DAUGHTER IS AT DREW CURRENTLY AND WE JUST HAD A
7 GREAT FAITH AND A KNOWLEDGE THAT ALL PEOPLE ARE SPECIAL AND
8 THAT ALL CHILDREN ARE EXCEPTIONALLY SPECIAL AND WE WORKED VERY
9 HARD TO CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE THE STUDENTS WOULD FEEL
10 SAFE AND LOVED AND WOULD DESIRE TO LEARN SO THAT THEY COULD
11 MOVE FORTH AND MAKE THEIR SPECIAL PLACE ON EARTH, AS JONATHAN
12 DID, AND TO SHOW THAT EACH PERSON HAS A UNIQUE TALENT AND
13 GENIUS AND WE THINK THAT'S WHAT WE ALL SHOULD BE DOING AND
14 THAT'S WHAT WE WORKED VERY HARD AT. AND I'M MOST GRATEFUL TO
15 THE STAFF, AND STUDENTS, COMMUNITY, YOU AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA
16 THAT HAVE SUPPORTED ME THROUGHOUT THESE YEARS. THANK YOU VERY
17 MUCH AND KEEP UP THE SUPPORT AND PLEASE SUPPORT THE FLORENCE-
18 FIRESTONE COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT TEAM BECAUSE THEY'VE HELPED TO
19 MAKE IT A SAFE AND WONDERFUL ENVIRONMENT. THANK YOU SO VERY
20 MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE ONE PRESENTATION THIS
25 MORNING. I WOULD ASK AL PHILLIPS, GLORIA LINTERMANS AND DR.



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1 BERLIN SALZMANN TO JOIN US. OKAY. THIS MORNING, I WANT TO
2 HONOR THE H.O.P.E. UNIT FOUNDATION FOR BEREAVEMENT, LOSS AND
3 TRANSITION, A FOUNDATION THAT WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1970. IT HAS
4 BECOME THE OLDEST AND LARGEST BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM IN
5 THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA, DRAWS ITS NAME FROM AN ACRONYM,
6 REPRESENTING HOPE FOR THE INTENTION OF HEALING GRIEF WITH
7 RESPECT FOR PEOPLE'S DIFFERENCES AND SPIRITUAL BELIEF,
8 OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE TO GROW AND LEARN FROM EACH OTHER,
9 PARTICIPATION IN THE HEALING GROUP ATMOSPHERE WHICH CREATES
10 GREATER SELF-AWARENESS, AND EDUCATION TO INFORM PEOPLE ABOUT
11 THEIR PSYCHOLOGICAL RESPONSE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE
12 FIVE STAGES OF LOSS. THE H.O.P.E. UNIT FOUNDATION HAS
13 CONDUCTED ITS PROGRAM UNDER THE LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE OF A
14 CAPABLE AND DEDICATED THERAPEUTIC STAFF OVERSEEN BY ITS
15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MARILYN STALLSMAN, AND HER OUTSTANDING
16 TEAM OF LICENSED THERAPISTS. IT'S BEEN AIMED IMMEASURABLY--
17 AIDED IMMEASURABLY IN ITS EFFORTS BY THE SUPPORT OF SUCH
18 INSTITUTIONS AS MOUNT SINAI MEMORIAL PARK, MORTUARY HILLSIDE
19 PARK AND MORTUARY, THE JOSEPH DROWN FOUNDATION, SIDNEY STEM
20 FOUNDATION, CITY GROUP, RALPH M. PARSONS FOUNDATION AND THE
21 BROUGHTMAN FOUNDATION. THIS YEAR MARKS THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF
22 SUCCESSFULLY CARRYING OUT ITS MISSION TO ASSIST PEOPLE WHOSE
23 LIVES HAVE BEEN ALTERED BY THE LOSS OF A SPOUSE BY PROVIDING
24 GROUP SUPPORT, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND HELP TO ALLEVIATE THE
25 BURDENS AND LONELINESS ASSOCIATED WITH PROFOUND BEREAVEMENT.



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1 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTED TO RECOGNIZE THE H.O.P.E. UNIT
2 FOUNDATION FOR BEREAVEMENT LOSS AND TRANSITION, IS HEREBY-- IT
3 WANTS TO HEREBY COMMEND THEM FOR THEIR DEDICATED SERVICE AND
4 OFFER SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 35TH
5 ANNIVERSARY AND OFFERING OUR BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS
6 IN THIS VERY IMPORTANT ROLE YOU PLAY IN OUR SOCIETY IN THE
7 FUTURE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, ZEV. WE'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR
10 THE RECOGNITION THAT YOU'RE PROVIDING TO THE H.O.P.E. UNIT
11 FOUNDATION AND I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY CO-AUTHOR, GLORIA
12 LINTEMAN. WE'VE DONE TWO BOOKS ABOUT OUR PROGRAM, THE HEALING
13 POWER OF GRIEF AND THE HEALING POWER OF LOVE AND WE WELCOME
14 COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION. OUR PROGRAMS EXIST IN WEST LOS
15 ANGELES AND IN THE VALLEY FOR BEREAVED SPOUSES AND A FAMILY
16 LOSS GROUP AND AGAIN WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR RECOGNITION AND WE
17 WELCOME SERVING THE PUBLIC. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'VE BEEN ADVISED THAT, ON ITEM 13,
22 THERE WERE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HAD SIGNED UP FOR IT AND
23 THEY HAD GOT MIXED UP IN ANOTHER ITEM, SO WE'LL MOVE FOR
24 RECONSIDERATION OF THAT ITEM 13 BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED.
25 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE--



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1 DO YOU HAVE ANY SPECIALS OR ANY, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, ANY
2 PROCLAMATIONS? WE'LL BEGIN PUBLIC HEARINGS.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. ON THE PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1
5 THROUGH 11, ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD
6 PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. [
7 ADMINISTERING OATH]

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 1-- OH, PLEASE BE SEATED. THANK
10 YOU. ON ITEM 1, HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY
11 CODE, TITLE 12, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, TO ESTABLISH A
12 REGULATORY PROGRAM AND FEES FOR VARIOUS SERVICES UNDER THE
13 COUNTY STORM WATER AND RUNOFF POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM. THERE
14 WERE-- THERE WAS NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE PRESENTED ON THIS
15 MATTER.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. RICHARD ROBINSON.

18

19 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** HONORABLE MAYOR, MEMBERS, RICHARD ROBINSON.
20 THE WORLD, INCLUDING HUMAN KIND, IS EVOLVING AS IT SHOULD.
21 SIR, THE SANTA MONICA URBAN RUNOFF AND RECLAMATION FACILITY IS
22 PROVING THAT WE CAN HAVE A POSITIVE EFFECT. PROTECTING MOTHER
23 NATURE IS DOABLE. THE COUNTY STORM WATER AND POLLUTION CONTROL
24 MEASURES AT CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FACILITIES IN
25 THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS IS PART OF THE SOLUTION TO THE



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1 PROBLEM OF THE LACK OF SERVICES FOR POLLUTION CONTROL.
2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IS NOT ON YOUR CONSTITUENTS' TONGUES,
3 THERE'S A TENDENCY TO IGNORE IT. FORMER SUPERVISOR EDELMAN
4 INVITED ME TO HIS OFFICE. WE TALKED AWHILE ABOUT SEVERAL
5 ISSUES. BECAUSE THE ISSUE OF THE ENVIRONMENT IS PRESENTLY
6 BELOW THE RADAR, AS THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION FIGHTS THE WAR
7 AGAINST TERRORISM, SOLVING THE GLOBAL WARMING PROBLEM IS
8 DOABLE. THE MONEYS WILL BE AVAILABLE, THE ECONOMY, 5.-- PARDON
9 ME. SOLVING THE GLOBAL WARMING PROBLEM IS DOABLE SIMPLY BY
10 CONVERTING TO THE ELECTRIC AUTOMOBILE, ICE THE INTERNAL
11 COMBUSTION ENGINE, THE CARBON DIOXIDE, CO-2 EMISSIONS, THE
12 IMBALANCE CAUSED, THE DAMAGE DONE TO THE ATMOSPHERE CAN BE
13 BROUGHT BACK INTO BALANCE SIMPLY BY FOLLOWING THE PROTOCOLS
14 ESTABLISHED IN KYOTO IN 1997. IF YOU'VE NOT SEEN PARAMOUNT
15 PICTURES AND MR.-- MIKE-- I DON'T DO THIS VERY OFTEN BUT, WHEN
16 A GOOD MOTION PICTURE WINDS UP IN MOTION PICTURE THEATERS, I
17 THINK IT DESERVES PUBLICITY. "AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH" IS ONE OF
18 THOSE FILMS THAT'S-- IF YOU SEE AL GORE'S PERFORMANCE, YOU'LL
19 KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MISS BURKE MOVES. SECONDED. WITHOUT
22 OBJECTION SO...

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, NO, I OBJECT. I HAVE...

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY-- KNABE.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE:** MY CONCERN IS THE FACT THAT, ONCE AGAIN, UNTIL THE
4 87 OTHER CITIES MAKES THIS A PART, THIS ONLY IMPACTS THE
5 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. SO, ONCE AGAIN, WE'RE JUST SORT OF, YOU
6 KNOW, SMACKING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS HERE, SO I WILL CAST A
7 "NO" VOTE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY BURKE, SECONDED BY
10 YAROSLAVSKY. CALL THE ROLL.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (OFF-MIKE).

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** (OFF-MIKE).

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** (OFF-MIKE).

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. MOTION FAILS. ITEM NUMBER 2.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 2, THIS IS THE HEARING ON
8 LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR COUNTY
9 LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT DISTRICTS 1, 2, 4 AND ZONES
10 THEREIN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006/2007 FOR LANDSCAPE AND PARK
11 MAINTENANCE PURPOSES WITH NO INCREASE IN RATES. THERE WAS NO
12 WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

13

14 **KANDY HAYES:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS KANDY HAYES AND I'M THE
15 DIVISION CHIEF OF CONTRACTS AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS WITH THE
16 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE
17 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS WITH
18 LANDSCAPING L.L.A. DISTRICTS NUMBER 1, 2 AND 4 AND ALL ZONES
19 WITHIN THEM. IN MY OPINION, ALL THE AREAS WITHIN L.L.A.S 1, 2
20 AND 4 WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED. IN MY
21 OPINION, THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS CONTINUE TO BE SPREAD IN
22 PROPORTION TO THE BENEFIT. THERE ARE NO PROPOSED ASSESSMENT
23 INCREASES THIS YEAR BEYOND CONSUMER PRICE INDEX INCREASES IN
24 SELECTED ZONES WHICH ARE AUTHORIZED IN THE VOTER APPROVED
25 ASSESSMENT FORMULAS FOR THOSE ZONES. WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT,



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1 DUE TO A SURPLUS IN SOME OF THE IMPROVEMENT FUNDS, CREDITS BE
2 CREDITED WITHIN CERTAIN ZONES. WE HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN
3 PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED LEVY OF THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR
4 LLA-1, 2 AND 4.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WISHES TO
7 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? SUPERVISOR MOLINA WILL MOVE TO CLOSE THE
8 HEARING, APPROVE THE ITEM, SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
9 ORDERED.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 4, THIS IS HEARING ON
12 CONFIRMATION OF THE 2005/2006 WEED ABATEMENT CHARGES IN TOTAL
13 AMOUNT OF \$3,202,061.44 TO BE ASSESSED TO OWNERS OF UNIMPROVED
14 PARCELS WHICH WERE DECLARED TO BE OVERGROWN WITH HAZARDOUS
15 WEEDS AND BRUSH AND REQUIRED ABATEMENT BY THE AGRICULTURAL
16 COMMISSION/DIRECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. THERE WAS NO
17 WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE PRESENTED ON THIS ITEM.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WISHES TO
20 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? SUPERVISOR KNABE WILL MOVE TO CLOSE THE
21 HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEM. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
22 ORDERED.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 5, THIS IS HEARING ON
25 CONFIRMATION OF THE 2005/2006 HAZARDOUS VEGETATION ABATEMENT



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1 COSTS IN TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$13,629 TO BE ASSESSED TO OWNERS OF
2 IMPROVED PARCELS WHICH WERE DECLARED A NUISANCE DUE TO
3 EXCESSIVE HAZARDOUS BRUSH, DRY GRASS, WEEDS, COMBUSTIBLE
4 GROWTH OR FLAMMABLE VEGETATION INCLUDING NATIVE AND ORNAMENTAL
5 VEGETATION AND REQUIRED ABATEMENT BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.
6 THERE WAS NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE PRESENTED ON THIS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WISHES TO
9 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WILL MOVE
10 TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEM. SECONDED. WITHOUT
11 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 6, THIS IS A HEARING TO
14 GRANT A PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO PARAMOUNT
15 PETROLEUM CORPORATION, TO REFLECT A TRANSFER OF PETROLEUM
16 PIPELINES TO PARAMOUNT FROM HUNTINGTON PIPELINE AND TERMINAL
17 COMPANY AND TO REFLECT A TRANSFER OF PETROLEUM PIPELINES TO
18 PARAMOUNT FROM KINDER MORGAN LIQUIDS TERMINALS LLC,
19 UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF EAST CARSON, RANCHO DOMINGUEZ, EAST
20 COMPTON AND SOUTH WHITTIER, EAST LA MIRADA. THERE WAS NO
21 WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE ON THIS MATTER AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
22 FOR THE RECORD, VOTES "NO."

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. ARNOLD SACHS.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ARNOLD
2 SACHS AND I OBJECT JUST BECAUSE OF THE WAY...

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOVE THE MICROPHONE UP A LITTLE BIT.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST THE WAY THE ORDINANCE WAS READ, THE
7 LANGUAGE IS VERY UNCLEAR. YOU'RE NOT SURE IF IT'S THE
8 PIPELINES AT HUNTINGTON ACQUIRED FROM BOTH POWER LINE AND
9 GOLDEN WEST OR THE TRANSFER OF PETROLEUM PIPELINES TO
10 PARAMOUNT FROM HUNTINGTON AND PIPELINES FROM GOLDEN WEST AND
11 EVEN THE WAY THE ORDINANCE WAS READ, THERE WAS A LOT OF
12 LANGUAGE THAT WAS LEFT OUT AND SO I OBJECT BASED ON THAT
13 LANGUAGE. AND, IF YOU DON'T MIND, I'M OBJECTING ON NUMBER 7
14 FOR THE SAME REASON AND I'M ALSO-- THE LANGUAGE OF THAT
15 ORDINANCE READS WHERE YOU'RE HEARING IS TO GRANT A 15-YEAR
16 PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO KINDER MORGAN OR
17 YOU'RE ALSO HEARING TO RENEW A PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO THE OTHER
18 COMPANY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU WANT TO SEE 7 AND 8 AS WELL?

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WELL, 8, YEAH, IF YOU DON'T MIND, THAT'S TOTALLY
23 UP TO YOU, BECAUSE 8 IS HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
24 COUNTY CODE TITLE CONSUMER PROTECTION AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS
25 AND I'M JUST-- I KNOW THAT THIS DOESN'T REFER TO THAT BUT,



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1 SINCE YOU HAVE COUNTY CONSUMER PROTECTION AGENCIES, THE
2 LANGUAGE IN BOTH OF THESE HEARING MATTERS NEEDS TO BE MORE SO
3 THAT THE GENERAL PUBLIC CAN UNDERSTAND THEM. YOU'RE NOT SURE
4 WHO IS GETTING WHAT IN EITHER ONE OF THESE MATTERS THAT ARE
5 BEFORE YOU AND TO READ THEM THE WAY THEY ARE JUST DOESN'T
6 REALLY MAKE ANY SENSE. YOU'RE NOT SURE WHICH COMPANY IS
7 GETTING WHAT. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. REESE, CAN YOU ELABORATE OR-- FROM
10 THE DEPARTMENT?

11

12 **RICHARD WEISS:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I CAN TRY. THE
13 ITEM 67 ARE THE AWARD OF PETROLEUM FRANCHISES. THEY DO REFLECT
14 BUSINESS REVISIONS BY VARIOUS COMPANIES, AND THESE ORDINANCES
15 ARE BEING PROPOSED TO YOUR BOARD TO REFLECT THE NEW OWNERSHIP
16 AND THE NEW COMPANIES THAT ARE SEEKING THE FRANCHISE RIGHTS
17 FOR THOSE PARTICULAR PORTIONS OF THE PIPELINE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO IT'S CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP WE'RE
20 TALKING ABOUT?

21

22 **RICHARD WEISS:** WELL, THERE'S A CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND
23 THEREFORE NEW FRANCHISES TO REFLECT BASICALLY WHO OWNS WHAT.
24 THE BOARD LETTER PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION IN SOME DETAIL, SO
25 READING JUST THE AGENDA ENTRY MAY NOT BE A COMPLETE



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1 EXPLANATION BUT THE ORDINANCES ARE OTHERWISE STANDARD. THEY
2 HAVE ALL THE REQUIRED COUNTY PROVISIONS AND ARE CONSISTENT
3 WITH THE MASTER PIPELINE ORDINANCE.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MS. BURKE WILL MOVE, SECONDED, WITH
10 MOLINA VOTING "NO." SO ORDERED ON 6.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 7, THIS IS THE HEARING TO
13 GRANT A 15-YEAR PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO
14 KINDER MORGAN LIQUIDS TERMINALS LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED
15 LIABILITY COMPANY, FORMERLY GATX TERMINALS CORPORATION, TO
16 RENEW EXISTING FRANCHISE RIGHTS GRANTED TO CONOCO, INC. AND
17 TRANSFERRED TO GATX IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WEST
18 CARSON/HARBOR CORRIDOR. THERE WAS NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE
19 PRESENTED ON THIS.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO
22 WISHES TO SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 7? OKAY. MR. KNABE WILL MOVE,
23 I'LL SECOND. WITH MOLINA VOTING "NO," SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 8, THIS IS THE HEARING ON
2 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 8, CONSUMER
3 PROTECTION AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS, AND TITLE 20, UTILITIES
4 TO INCREASE PUBLIC HEALTH LICENSE, PERMIT AND SERVICE FEES BY
5 APPROXIMATELY 3%, EFFECTIVE FISCAL YEAR 2006/2007. THERE WAS
6 NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE PRESENTED ON THIS.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. RONE ELLIS ON NUMBER 8. THAT'S
9 YOUR TESTIMONY. THANK YOU. ON ITEM NUMBER 8, MR. YAROSLAVSKY
10 WILL MOVE. SECONDED...

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, MR. CHAIRMAN, COULD I ASK INDULGENCE
13 ON ITEM NUMBER 1, I KNOW IT WAS DEFEATED...

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME JUST DO-- SO ORDERED AND THEN
16 MR. YAROSLAVSKY?

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FINE. ON ITEM NUMBER 1, COULD WE-- I DIDN'T
19 REALIZE IT WAS GOING TO BE CONTROVERSIAL. I HAVE SOME
20 QUESTIONS OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL ON THIS. IT WON'T PASS ANYWAY
21 BUT CAN WE RECONSIDER IT SO I CAN JUST HAVE-- YOU WERE ON THE
22 PREVAILING SIDE.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I WAS GOING TO ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION
25 ANYWAY.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. SO DON IS RULING TO DO THAT.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO A MOTION TO MOVE FOR
5 RECONSIDERATION.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THEN WE'LL JUST HOLD IT UNTIL...

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THAT
10 WILL BE ON THE TABLE FOR THE END OF THE MEETING.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 9.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 9, THIS IS THE HEARING ON
17 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 21, SUBDIVISIONS,
18 AND TITLE 22, PLANNING AND ZONING, TO ESTABLISH AND AMEND
19 REGULATIONS AND POLICIES, DELETE OBSOLETE PROVISIONS AND
20 ESTABLISH FEES RELATING TO DENSITY BONUSES AND INCENTIVES FOR
21 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING WITHIN THE
22 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY. THERE WAS WRITTEN
23 CORRESPONDENCE PRESENTED ON THIS MATTER.

24



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1 **JULIE MOORE:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JULIE MOORE
2 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING, HOUSING COMMISSION.
3 A KEY PROBLEM FACING THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY IS THE NEED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING. A SECTION 659.1.5
5 OF THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE, ALSO KNOW AS THE STATE
6 DENSITY BONUS LAW, REQUIRES THAT EVERY CITY AND COUNTY PROVIDE
7 DENSITY BONUSES BY RIGHT (OFF-MIKE) THAT SET ASIDE A
8 QUALIFYING PERCENTAGE OF UNITS FOR EITHER AFFORDABLE HOUSING
9 OR SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING. THE MANDATED DENSITY BONUSES VARY,
10 DEPENDING ON THE NUMBER OF INCOME RESTRICTED OR SENIOR AGE
11 RESTRICTED UNITS THAT ARE SET ASIDE. FOR EXAMPLE, A MARKET
12 RATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT THAT RESERVES 10% OF THE PRE-BONUS
13 AMOUNT OF UNITS FOR LOW INCOME HOUSING QUALIFIES FOR A MINIMUM
14 OF 20% DENSITY BONUS AND THE BONUS INCREASES ON A SLIDING
15 SCALE UP TO 35% OF ADDITIONAL AFFORDABLE UNITS AS PROVIDED.
16 QUALIFIED AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS ARE ALSO ENTITLED TO
17 (OFF-MIKE) INCENTIVES. THESE INCENTIVES ARE NECESSARY TO
18 UTILIZE THE DENSITY BONUS OR TO MAKE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
19 ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE ON A SITE. THE LAW REQUIRES THAT THE
20 COUNTY ADOPT AN ORDINANCE WHICH, AT A MINIMUM, IMPLEMENTS THE
21 BASIC PROVISIONS OF THE STATUTE. IN MARCH 2006, THE REGIONAL
22 PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED
23 ORDINANCE AND INSTRUCTED THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT THE
24 ORDINANCE TO THE BOARD FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. TODAY, YOU ARE
25 CONSIDERING APPROVAL OF A DRAFT ORDINANCE THAT IMPLEMENTS THE



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1 BASIC STATE MANDATED PROGRAM FOR THE INCREASED PRODUCTION OF
2 AFFORDABLE AND SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING, WITH SPECIAL
3 ENHANCEMENTS AIMED AT MEETING THE SPECIFIC NEEDS OF THE
4 COUNTY. HERE'S A QUICK OVERVIEW OF THE KEY REASONS TO SUPPORT
5 APPROVAL FOR THE DRAFT ORDINANCE. THE COUNTY'S HOUSING CRISIS
6 HAS DEEPENED AND CREATIVE AND SUBSTANTIVE APPROACHES ARE
7 REQUIRED TO ADDRESS THE LACK OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING. IN 2001,
8 YOUR BOARD ADOPTED AN IMPORTANT MANDATED REVISION TO THE
9 HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN. THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT
10 HAS ALSO IDENTIFIED THE STATE MANDATED DENSITY BONUS PROGRAM
11 AS THE PRINCIPAL REGULATORY PROGRAM FOR PROMOTING AFFORDABLE
12 HOUSING OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. THE COUNTY'S DENSITY BONUS
13 PROVISIONS HAVE NOT BEEN UPDATED SINCE 1993 AND THEREFORE
14 AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE ARE NECESSARY TO REFLECT
15 NUMEROUS REVISIONS TO THE LAW. THE MOST RECENT CHANGES BECAME
16 EFFECTIVE IN 2005, 2006, WITH THE PASSAGE OF TWO SENATE BILLS,
17 SB-1818 AND SB-435. I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE PROPOSED
18 ORDINANCE PROVIDES SOME IMPORTANT ENHANCEMENTS, WHICH ARE
19 INTENDED TO ENCOURAGE MUCH NEEDED HOUSING IN A MANNER IS
20 APPROPRIATE TO LOCAL CONDITIONS. THESE SPECIAL PROVISIONS
21 INCLUDE A MENU OF MEANINGFUL INCENTIVES, PROVISIONS TO
22 FACILITATE THE COUNTY'S INFILL SITES UTILIZATION PROGRAM,
23 WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE COUNTY C.D.C., AND THE ADDITIONAL
24 OPTIONS FOR SENIOR HOUSING AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND THESE
25 ARE DONE THROUGH A DISCRETIONARY REVIEW PROCESS. IT SHOULD



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1 ALSO BE NOTED THAT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE TRACKS THE STATUTORY
2 LANGUAGE REQUIRING THAT INCENTIVES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING NOT
3 BE APPROVED EITHER ON MENU OR OFF MENU BASED ON SUBSTANTIAL
4 EVIDENCE THAT THE FOLLOWING IS DETERMINED. FIRST, THAT THE
5 INCENTIVE IS NOT REQUIRED IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR AFFORDABLE
6 HOUSING COSTS FOR RENTS FOR THE TARGETED AFFORDABLE UNITS; OR,
7 THE SECOND ITEM, THAT THE INCENTIVE WOULD HAVE A SPECIFIC
8 ADVERSE IMPACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR THE PHYSICAL
9 ENVIRONMENT OR IN ANY REAL PROPERTY THAT IS LISTED IN A
10 CALIFORNIA REGISTER OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES. SINCE 1998, FEW
11 AFFORDABLE HOUSING HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED IN THE UNINCORPORATED
12 AREA THROUGH THE CURRENT DENSITY BONUS PROGRAM. THAT POINTS TO
13 THE NEED TO HAVE ENHANCED PROVISIONS IN THE REVISED-- IN THE
14 REVISED ORDINANCE. AND FINALLY THE COUNTY RELIES ON PRIVATE
15 SECTOR NONPROFIT MARKET RATES-- AND MARKET RATE HOUSING
16 DEVELOPERS TO CONSTRUCT NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AND SO IT'S
17 IMPORTANT TO SUPPORT THEIR EFFORTS BY PROVIDING A RANGE OF
18 OPTIONS TO SELECT FROM AND A CLEARER REGULATORY PATH AND MORE
19 PROCESS CERTAINTY. THE COUNTY SUPPORTS THE DEVELOPMENT OF
20 AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRIMARILY THROUGH REGULATORY ASSISTANCE AND
21 GOVERNMENT FUNDING. THE GOVERNMENT FUNDS THAT WE ADMINISTER
22 ARE THROUGH THE COUNTY'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.
23 THAT CONCLUDES STAFF'S PRESENTATION. WE'RE AVAILABLE FOR
24 QUESTIONS.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO
2 HAVE SIGNED UP ON THAT. TIM O'CONNELL, JAY ROSS, TERRA DONLON
3 AND ANDREA OSGOOD. YOU EACH HAVE TWO MINUTES. JUST GIVE YOUR
4 NAME FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU SPEAK AND THEN, AFTER YOU SPEAK,
5 RETURN TO YOUR SEAT AND WE'LL CALL UP THE OTHER PEOPLE WHO
6 HAVE SIGNED UP ON THIS ITEM.

7

8 **TIM O'CONNELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. CHAIRMAN, MY NAME IS TIM
9 O'CONNELL. I'M WITH CENTURY HOUSING CORPORATION, A NONPROFIT
10 ORGANIZATION. WE HAVE HAD THE PLEASURE OF WORKING WITH SEVERAL
11 OF YOUR OFFICES, BOTH IN THE PRODUCTION AND FINANCE OF
12 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND ALSO CHILDCARE, AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING
13 PROGRAMS AND HOMELESS PROGRAMS PRIMARILY FOR VETERANS. I ALSO
14 HAVE THE HONOR OF SITTING ON A HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
15 FORMED BY YOUR REGIONAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND HAD THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE INPUT ON THE PROPOSAL BEFORE YOU TODAY.
17 IN ANOTHER LIFE, I ALSO SIT AS THE PRESIDENT OF AN
18 ORGANIZATION CALLED THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL
19 HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY AND ON THE BOARD OF HOUSING CALIFORNIA,
20 A STATEWIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVOCACY GROUP. AS A RESULT,
21 I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE AND IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS
22 BY CITIES AND COUNTIES THROUGHOUT THE STATE THAT WERE PUT
23 TOGETHER IMPLEMENTED S.B. 1818 AND SUBSEQUENT LEGISLATION. I
24 ALSO ON A PERSONAL NOTE 26 YEARS AGO GOT TO WRITE FOR THE CITY
25 OF SAN DIEGO AS A PLANNER SITTING WHERE JULIE SITS TODAY. THE



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1 FIRST REGULATIONS ON THE FIRST DENSITY BONUS STATUTE THE STATE
2 PASSED WHEN I WAS WORKING FOR THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO. YOU HAVE
3 BEFORE YOU WHAT I THINK IS AN EXCELLENT PROPOSAL. IT NOT ONLY
4 PROVIDES A RANGE OF INCENTIVES THAT DEVELOPERS CAN ACTUALLY
5 USE THAT WILL MAKE HOUSING FEASIBLE AT AN AFFORDABLE PRICE
6 POINT FOR YOUR CONSTITUENTS. IT DOES NOT, AS MANY ORDINANCES
7 HAVE DONE IN OTHER AREAS, ADD UNNECESSARY BURDENS TO THE
8 DEVELOPMENT PROCESS. THAT'S THE MAIN THING I WANT TO
9 EMPHASIZE. DEVELOPERS NEED CERTAINTY, THEY NEED FLEXIBILITY
10 AND THEY NEED THE INCENTIVES. WITH THESE TOOLS, AS YOU HAVE
11 BEFORE YOU TODAY, I THINK WE CAN GET MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
12 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND I HOPE THAT YOUR PROPOSAL WILL BE
13 EMULATED BY THE OTHER CITIES OF THE REGION. THANK YOU VERY
14 MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. TAKE CARE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. BETH STECKLER. YES.

17

18 **JAY ROSS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS JAY ROSS, I WORK FOR AMCAL
19 HOUSING. WE'RE A PRIVATELY HELD COMPANY THAT DOES BUILD
20 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. WE RECENTLY HAD APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL
21 PLANNING COMMISSION, AN 85 UNIT, 100% AFFORDABLE HOUSING
22 DEVELOPMENT IN EASTERN LOS ANGELES AND THE C.D.C. IS A
23 FINANCIAL PARTNER WITH US FOR SEVERAL MILLION DOLLARS. THIS
24 PROJECT WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE AND IT WOULD
25 NOT HAVE BEEN BUILT WITHOUT PLANNING STAFF'S HELP IN GIVING US



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1 SOME CONCESSIONS FOR EXTRA HEIGHT, EXTRA DENSITY AND A PARKING
2 REDUCTION. NOW THE COUNTY HAS DEFICIT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING
3 AND IF YOU APPROVE AMENDMENTS LIKE THIS TO HELP BUILD MORE
4 AFFORDABLE HOUSING, YOU CAN HELP CURE THAT PROBLEM. AS A
5 DEVELOPER, THE CERTAINTY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING AND THIS
6 DOES IT IN TWO WAYS: FIRST, BY REDUCING THE TIME FOR APPROVALS
7 AND ELIMINATING THE LONG PROCESS IT TAKES FOR ZONE CHANGES,
8 WHICH IS USUALLY WHAT IS REQUIRED TO GET THE DENSITY YOU NEED
9 TO MAKE THESE PROJECTS FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE. OTHERWISE, YOU
10 HAVE TO END UP CARRYING THE LAND FOR 12 AND 14 MONTHS, WHICH
11 IS VERY EXPENSIVE. SO WHEN WE GET SEVERAL MILLION DOLLARS FROM
12 THE C.D.C., WE'D RATHER SPEND IT BUILDING MORE AFFORDABLE
13 UNITS OF HOUSING WITH A PRETTIER DESIGN AND MORE AMENITIES FOR
14 RESIDENTS RATHER THAN PAYING INTEREST COSTS FOR A 12 OR 14-
15 MONTH ENTITLEMENT PROCESS. SECONDLY, CERTAINTIES HELP BY
16 HAVING THIS DETAILED MENU OF CONCESSIONS. THE PLANNING STAFF
17 HAS DONE A GOOD JOB OF PICKING SPECIFIC INCENTIVES THAT
18 DIRECTLY HELP BUILD THESE PROJECTS. I'LL NOTE THAT ONE THAT IS
19 ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT, ASIDE FROM THE HEIGHT AND THE DENSITY
20 INCREASES, IS THE PARKING REDUCTION. WHEN YOU BUILD AN
21 UNDERGROUND PARKING SPACE THAT COSTS \$25,000 EACH AND, AGAIN,
22 WE PREFER THAT, IF C.D.C. IS GOING TO INVEST SEVERAL MILLION
23 DOLLARS IN OUR PROJECTS, THAT THAT MONEY BE MADE FOR MORE
24 UNITS IN GENERAL, FOR PRETTIER ARCHITECTURE AND MORE AMENITIES
25 FOR THE RESIDENTS WHO WILL LIVE THERE. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MICHAEL ALBERTEZ.

3

4 **TERRA DONLON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS TERRA DONLON. I'M THE
5 DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS FOR THE BUILDING INDUSTRY
6 ASSOCIATION. THE B.I.A. WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND REGIONAL
7 PLANNING AS WELL AS THE BOARD ON THE DENSITY BONUS ORDINANCE
8 BEFORE YOU. IT HAS TRULY BEEN VETTED THROUGH A PUBLIC PROCESS
9 AND ADEQUATELY REPRESENTS THE INPUT FROM THE DEVELOPMENT
10 COMMUNITY THAT IT'S TRYING TO SERVE. WHILE LOCAL
11 MUNICIPALITIES ARE REQUIRED TO AMEND THEIR DEVELOPMENT CODES
12 TO SPECIFY HOW COMPLIANCE WITH STATE DENSITY BONUS LAW WILL BE
13 IMPLEMENTED, WE HAVE FOUND THAT MANY JURISDICTIONS ARE
14 DRAGGING THEIR FEET TO AMEND THEIR CODES, SOME FEARFUL THAT
15 OTHER CHANGES WILL COME DOWN FROM THE STATE LAW AND THEY WILL
16 HAVE TO AMEND THEM YET AGAIN. WHILE THAT MAY BE THE CASE, WE
17 COMMEND THE COUNTY FOR TAKING THE INITIATIVE TO REFLECT THESE
18 SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE DENSITY BONUS LAW AT THIS TIME.
19 MORE IMPORTANTLY, FOR RECOGNIZING THE NEED TO GO BEYOND THE
20 BASIC MINIMUM REQUIRED BY THE STATE AND TO STREAMLINE THE
21 ENTITLEMENTS PROCESS FOR AFFORDABLE AND SENIOR HOUSING BY
22 REDUCING UNNECESSARY REGULATORY BARRIERS AND PROVIDING A
23 MEANINGFUL LIST OF INCENTIVES. IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT THIS MENU
24 OF INCENTIVES BE PRESENTED IN CLEAR AND CERTAIN TERMS AND MOST
25 IMPORTANTLY DEEMED BY RIGHT AND WE FEEL THAT THE MENU BEFORE



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1 YOU TODAY DOES SO. WE COMMEND THE COUNTY FOR ADDRESSING OUR
2 AFFORDABLE HOUSING ISSUES WITH AN INCENTIVE-BASED APPROACH
3 WHICH, IF ADMINISTERED ACCORDING TO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE,
4 WILL STREAMLINE THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS. I STAND BEFORE YOU
5 TODAY REPRESENTING MORE THAN 500 MEMBER COMPANIES AND MYSELF
6 AND THOSE COMPANIES SUPPORT YOUR EFFORTS AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO
7 ADOPT THE ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU TODAY AND I ALSO HAVE A LETTER
8 FOR THE RECORD. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. JIM BONAR. YES.

11

12 **ANDREA OSGOOD:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ANDREAS OSGOOD AND I
13 AM HERE FROM THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY DESIGN CENTER. THE
14 DESIGN CENTER IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION WHICH DEVELOPS AND
15 MANAGES AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW INCOME AND SPECIAL NEEDS
16 PEOPLE IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA. SINCE 1984, THE DESIGN CENTER
17 HAS PARTICIPATED IN THE COMPLETION OF 50 AFFORDABLE HOUSING
18 DEVELOPMENTS, TOTALING OVER 2,500 UNITS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY, INCLUDING BOTH INCORPORATED AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS.
20 IN FACT, WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE PREDEVELOPMENT STAGES OF A
21 MULTI-FAMILY PROJECT IN EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ. THIS PROJECT
22 WILL PROVIDE 69 AFFORDABLE UNITS FOR AREA FAMILIES THAT MAKE
23 LESS THAN 50% OF THE AREA MEDIAN INCOME. AS WELL, THE
24 DEVELOPMENT INCLUDES A CHILD CARE CENTER AND MEDICAL CLINIC
25 FOR BOTH RESIDENTS AND THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE. THE DESIGN



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1 CENTER STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE BECAUSE IT
2 DIRECTLY IMPACTS THE FEASIBILITY OF OUR PROJECTS, SUCH AS THIS
3 ONE IN EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ IN SEVERAL KEY WAYS. FIRST,
4 PARKING. DENSITY IS NOT THE MAIN DRIVER OF FEASIBILITY FOR US.
5 PARKING IS. AND THE PROPOSED INCENTIVES MAKE THIS PROJECT
6 FEASIBLE AND WILL ALLOW US TO FOCUS OUR RESOURCES FOR
7 PROVIDING MORE OF THE COUNTY'S AFFORDABLE UNITS. THE PROPOSED
8 PARKING INCENTIVES NOT ONLY MAKE THESE PROJECTS FEASIBLE BUT
9 THEY ALSO MAKE SENSE. FOR EXAMPLE, OUR RESEARCH INDICATES THAT
10 70% OF THE LOW INCOME RENTERS NEAR THE PROJECT IN EAST RANCHO
11 DOMINGUEZ OWN ONE CAR OR LESS AND THE PROPOSED PARKING
12 INCENTIVES ARE IN LINE WITH THIS DATA AND WILL ENSURE THAT
13 AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS ARE ADEQUATELY PARKED BUT NOT
14 OVERPARKED. IN ADDITION TO THE FINANCIAL FEASIBILITY, THE
15 PROPOSED INCENTIVES FOR BUILDING HEIGHT AND LOT SETBACKS WILL
16 ALLOW US TO DESIGN AND BUILD BETTER BUILDINGS. THIS TYPE OF
17 FLEXIBILITY GIVES OUR ARCHITECTS THE ABILITY TO BETTER UTILIZE
18 THE SPACE AND CREATE VISUAL INTERESTS AND VARY THE MASSING OF
19 BUILDINGS WITHOUT SACRIFICING THE NUMBER OF UNITS PROVIDED.
20 THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LISA PAYNE. THANK YOU.

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24 **BETH STECKLER:** BETH STECKLER, POLICY DIRECTOR AT LIVABLE
25 PLACES. WE'RE A NONPROFIT HOUSING DEVELOPER AND WE BUILD ENTRY



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1 LEVEL HOME OWNERSHIP MIXED INCOME DEVELOPMENTS. WE HAVE TWO,
2 ONE IN LONG BEACH AND ONE IN LINCOLN HEIGHTS AREA OF LOS
3 ANGELES, AND WE'RE STRONG SUPPORTERS OF THE STATE DENSITY
4 BONUS AND WE HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS AND COMMENTING
5 ON VARIOUS DRAFTS AND WE FIND THE COUNTY'S DRAFTS TO BE A VERY
6 THOUGHTFUL APPROACH AND ONE THAT WE THINK IS WORKABLE. THE
7 STATE DENSITY BONUS LAW IS, AS YOU KNOW, NOT A SIMPLE LAW, HAS
8 A LOT OF COMPLEXITIES TO IT AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE PROPOSAL
9 THAT'S BEFORE YOU TODAY IS REALLY A WORKABLE PROPOSAL AND A
10 VALUABLE ONE FOR CREATING MIXED INCOME COMMUNITIES. IT'S
11 VALUABLE FOR DEVELOPERS WHO BUILD A HUNDRED PERCENT AFFORDABLE
12 DEVELOPMENTS LIKE THE TAX CREDIT PROJECTS BUT IT'S ALSO
13 VALUABLE FOR DEVELOPERS WHO ARE BUILDING MARKET RATE
14 DEVELOPMENTS AND WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE SOME AFFORDABLE UNITS.
15 SO WE URGE YOU TO PASS THIS TODAY. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. KELLY ROSE.

18

19 **MIKE ALVIDREZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MIKE ALVIDREZ, I'M THE
20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SKID ROW HOUSING TRUST. WE'RE A
21 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT DEVELOPS AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR
22 PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS AND DISABLED. I THINK THE ITEM BEFORE
23 YOU TODAY IS VERY IMPORTANT. AS I THINK WE ALL KNOW, WE HAVE
24 AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING CRISIS THAT IS ON A REGIONAL BASIS. I
25 THINK THE COUNTY, ACTING THROUGH THE GOOD WORK OF THE REGIONAL



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1 PLANNING STAFF, HAS TAKEN A NUMBER OF STEPS THAT WILL MAKE THE
2 COUNTY'S PROPOSAL A MODEL FOR A NUMBER OF OTHER CITIES IN THE
3 REGION. WE HAVE TO ATTACK THIS PROBLEM ON A REGIONAL BASIS AND
4 I THINK THE COUNTY CAN TAKE THE LEAD ON THIS ISSUE. JUST
5 BRIEFLY, I WANT TO SAY THAT I THINK WHAT WE NEED FOR SMART
6 GROWTH IS SMART PLANNING AND SMART ZONING AND I THINK THE
7 NUMBER OF ITEMS THAT ARE LISTED IN THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE WILL
8 DO JUST THAT, IT WILL MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING
9 DEVELOPERS TO HAVE SOME CERTAINTY ABOUT WHAT THE GUIDELINES
10 ARE AS WE PROCEED TO TRY AND PRODUCE MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
11 IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AS WELL AS THE ENTIRE COUNTY OF
12 L.A. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALEJANDRO MARTINEZ. YES.

15

16 **JIM BONAR:** I'M NEXT. I'M-- GOOD MORNING. I'M JIM BONAR,
17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CLIFFORD BEERS HOUSING. WE ARE AN
18 AFFILIATE OF THE MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS
19 ANGELES AND OUR JOB IS TO PRODUCE HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH
20 MENTAL-- LIVING WITH MENTAL ILLNESS. ADDITIONALLY, I'M AN
21 ARCHITECT AND, OVER THE LAST 35 YEARS, I'VE PLANNED AND
22 DEVELOPED NUMEROUS HOUSING PROJECTS. OFTEN, WE HAVE SOUGHT
23 VARIANCES, SUCCESSFULLY SOUGHT VARIANCES AND GONE THROUGH
24 PROCESSES OF PUBLIC HEARINGS AND SO FORTH TO PRODUCE THIS
25 HOUSING. THE ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU IS GOING TO EXPEDITE AND



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1 BRING MUCH MORE CERTAINTY TO THAT PROCESS. IT'S WELL THOUGHT
2 OUT AND WILL HELP PRODUCE LOW INCOME HOUSING. I URGE YOU TO
3 SUPPORT IT. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DORA LEONE GALLO.

6

7 **LISA PAYNE:** MY NAME IS LISA PAYNE, I'M THE POLICY DIRECTOR AT
8 THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF NONPROFIT HOUSING.
9 WE'RE A MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATION. OUR CORE MEMBERSHIP ARE
10 NONPROFIT AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPERS WHO DO A HUNDRED
11 PERCENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND, AS YOU ALL KNOW, AFFORDABLE
12 HOUSING REALLY IS THE BEST HOUSING ON THE BLOCK. IT'S
13 BEAUTIFUL, IT'S DESIGNED BY FIRST RATE ARCHITECTS. MOST OF
14 OUR-- MOST OF THE BUILDINGS ARE PROFESSIONALLY MANAGED AND
15 THEY PROVIDE SERVICES SUCH AS AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS, TUTORING
16 AND JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS THAT ENRICH RESIDENTS' LIVES, ALONG
17 WITH THE PROVISION OF SAFETY AND AFFORDABLE HOMES. AS YOU ALL
18 KNOW, OBVIOUSLY, THERE'S A HUGE HOUSING CRISIS IN THE COUNTY
19 THAT YOU ALL HAVE TAKEN A BIG STEP IN ADDRESSING THROUGH YOUR
20 HOMELESS INITIATIVE BUT, BESIDES THE EXTRA FUNDS, TO GET THESE
21 HOMES BUILT, WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO BUILD ENOUGH UNITS ON A
22 SITE TO MAKE A DEVELOPMENT FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE WHICH, OF
23 COURSE, IS WHY THE STATE PASSED SB-1818 IN 2004, AND WE THINK
24 THE COUNTY'S PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS A VERY THOUGHTFUL
25 IMPLEMENTATION OF SB-1818. FIRST, AS OTHERS HAVE SAID, IT



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1 PROVIDES A MEANINGFUL MENU OF INCENTIVES THAT PERMIT
2 DEVELOPERS TO TAKE THE DENSITY BONUS REQUIRED BY THE STATE LAW
3 BUT IT IS ALSO REASONABLE AND LIMITED. IT PUTS THE COMMUNITY
4 AND THE DEVELOPERS ON NOTICE ABOUT THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT
5 THAT WILL BE HAPPENING IN THE AREA. SECOND, IT PROVIDES AN
6 EXPEDITED PROCESS FOR PROVING THESE INCENTIVES AND THIS IS
7 IMPORTANT BECAUSE HOLDING COSTS OF LAND, AS A DEVELOPMENT GOES
8 THROUGH MULTIPLE HEARINGS CAN, AT BEST, INCREASE THE COST FOR
9 THE COUNTY. AS WORST, IT MAY FORCE DEVELOPERS TO ABANDON
10 PROJECTS AND THAT HAS HAPPENED. SO, IN SHORT, WE URGE YOU TO
11 SUPPORT THE COUNTY'S PROPOSED ORDINANCE BECAUSE IT WILL PERMIT
12 THE DEVELOPMENT OF MUCH NEEDED AFFORDABLE HOMES WHILE AT THE
13 SAME TIME PROTECTING SINGLE FAMILY NEIGHBORHOODS AND THE
14 CHARACTER OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE THERE. THANK YOU VERY
15 MUCH.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

18
19 **KELLY ROSE:** MY NAME IS KELLY ROSE, I'M HERE REPRESENTING 1010
20 DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. 1010 IS A FAITH-BASED NONPROFIT
21 DEVELOPER OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN LOS ANGELES. 1010 SUPPORTS
22 THE PROPOSED DENSITY BONUS ORDINANCE AND ENCOURAGES YOU TO
23 PASS IT BECAUSE IT WILL BE A GREAT BOOST TO OUR ABILITY TO
24 PROVIDE QUALITY HOUSING TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S LOW INCOME
25 RESIDENTS. 1010'S HOUSING IS DESIGNED TO BE AFFORDABLE FOR



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1 THOSE EARNING 60% OR LESS OF THE AREA MEDIAN INCOME WHICH, AS
2 YOU KNOW, IS SOMEWHERE AROUND 45,000 FOR A FAMILY OF FOUR. THE
3 PROPOSED ORDINANCE WILL INCREASE THE NUMBER OF UNITS WE CAN
4 BUILD FOR THESE FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS BY PROVIDING A
5 VARIETY OF INCENTIVES THAT WILL ALLOW US TO BUILD ENOUGH UNITS
6 ON A PROPERTY TO MAKE IT FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE AND WILL
7 EXPEDITE THE PROCESS SO THAT WE DO NOT MISS ANY FUNDING
8 OPPORTUNITIES OR INCUR ADDED COSTS. MORE UNITS BUILT MEANS
9 MORE PEOPLE LIVING IN SAFE, STABLE, QUALITY HOUSING, WHICH IS
10 SOMETHING THAT ALL RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY SHOULD HAVE. THANK
11 YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES.

14

15 **ALEJANDRO MARTINEZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ALEJANDRO
16 MARTINEZ, I WORK WITH EAST L.A. COMMUNITY CORPORATION. I'M THE
17 DIRECTOR OF REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT THERE. OUR ORGANIZATION
18 SUPPORTS THE PROPOSAL ORDINANCE AS IT MAKES EXISTING POLICY
19 COMPLAINT WITH SB-1818 AND SB-435. IN ADDITION, THE PROPOSED
20 ORDINANCE GIVES MEANINGFUL INCENTIVES AND IMPROVES LAND
21 DEVELOPMENT CERTAINTY. SPECIFICALLY, THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE
22 WILL FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF FOR SALE MARKET RATE AND
23 AFFORDABLE SINGLE-FAMILY, MULTI-FAMILY AND MARKET RATE AND
24 MIXED USE DEVELOPMENTS. FOR EXAMPLE, IN UNINCORPORATED EAST
25 LOS ANGELES OFF OF WHITTIER BOULEVARD, THERE ARE A COUPLE OF



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1 UNDERUTILIZED PROPERTIES, AND OUR ORGANIZATION HAS MADE OFFERS
2 AND WOULD LOVE TO REDEVELOP THOSE SITES AS INCOME MIXED USE
3 DEVELOPMENTS BUT, AT THIS POINT IN TIME, IT IS EXTREMELY
4 DIFFICULT BECAUSE OF THIS UNCERTAINTY AND THE PROPOSED
5 ORDINANCE WILL HELP FACILITATE THAT DEVELOPMENT AND
6 REDEVELOPMENT OF THESE PROPERTIES. AGAIN, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT
7 THIS ORDINANCE AND WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
8 TIME.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

11

12 **DORA LEONG GALLO:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DORA LEONG GALLO
13 AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF A COMMUNITY OF FRIENDS.
14 WE'RE A NONPROFIT DEVELOPER OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR PEOPLE
15 WITH SPECIAL NEEDS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I PREVIOUSLY
16 SUBMITTED A LETTER FOR THE RECORD SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THIS
17 PARTICULAR PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND MANY SPEAKERS TODAY HAVE
18 TALKED ABOUT THE STRENGTH OF THIS ORDINANCE AND I WANT TO
19 SPEAK ABOUT THE PROCESS. THE PLANNING COMMISSION REALLY TOOK
20 THE TIME TO LISTEN TO ALL THE ENTITIES THAT SPOKE BEFORE THEM
21 AT THE VARIOUS COMMISSION MEETINGS. THE PLANNING STAFF
22 LISTENED AND THE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION STAFF
23 LISTENED. WE DIDN'T ALWAYS AGREE BUT WE KEPT FOCUSED ON THE
24 GOAL, WHICH IS THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND INCENTIVES TO CREATE MORE
25 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IT'S TAKEN US



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1 A LONG TIME TO GET HERE TODAY BUT WHAT YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU IS
2 A BALANCED AND FAIR PROPOSAL, SO WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT. THANK
3 YOU VERY MUCH.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE HAD SOME
6 QUESTIONS. I HAVE SOME AS WELL. YEAH.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** MINE REALLY ARE IN REGARDS TO THE YARD SETBACK,
9 THE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS. WHEN WE SPEAK OF THE 20%
10 MODIFICATION, YOU KNOW, I THINK THE COMMISSION DID A VERY GOOD
11 JOB IN ANALYZING THE PROCESS BUT WILL THIS ALLOW THE BUILDING
12 NOW UP TO PROPERTY LINE, STREET LINES, PROPERTY LINES OR WILL
13 THERE STILL BE REQUIRED SETBACKS?

14

15 **JULIE MOORE:** ARE YOU REFERRING TO ON THE MENU OR...

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** ON THE MENU.

18

19 **JULIE MOORE:** OKAY. ON THE MENU, THE SUGGESTED MODIFICATION
20 WOULD BE FOR THE SIDE YARD, IT WOULD BE 20% REDUCTION OF--
21 FIVE FEET IS WHAT WE REQUIRE RIGHT NOW IN RESIDENTIAL ZONES,
22 THE MODIFICATION OF 20% WOULD BRING IT DOWN TO FOUR FEET,
23 WHICH IS A DIFFERENCE OF ONE FOOT. ON THE FRONT AND REAR
24 PROPERTY LINES, THE MODIFICATION THAT COULD BE REQUESTED WOULD
25 BE 35% AND...



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** OF WHAT?

3

4 **JULIE MOORE:** IT DEPENDS ON WHAT YOUR ZONING IS. FOR EXAMPLE,
5 IF YOU ARE IN THE R-1, YOU WOULD HAVE A 20-FOOT FRONT YARD
6 SETBACK REQUIRED. IF YOU MODIFIED THAT BY 35%, IT'D REDUCE IT
7 BY FOUR FEET, SO IT WOULD BRING IT DOWN TO-- NO, I'M SORRY, IT
8 WOULD REDUCE IT DOWN SEVEN FEET, SO BRING IT DOWN TO 13 FEET
9 IN THE FRONT. FOR THE REAR, YOU'D HAVE A 15-FOOT SETBACK
10 REQUIREMENT, A 35% MODIFICATION WOULD REDUCE IT BY 5-1/4, SO
11 THAT WOULD BRING IT DOWN TO 14.75 FEET.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE QUESTION I HAVE, THIS IS A MANDATE
14 THAT'S COMING FROM THE STATE, SO IT'S NOT ONE THAT'S BEING
15 DISCUSSED AND IMPLEMENTED LOCALLY WHERE YOU HAVE DECISIONS
16 FROM THE COMMUNITY BEING INVOLVED IN THE DECISION. SO WHAT YOU
17 HAVE IS AN ABILITY, IF THIS WOULD PASS, OF HAVING THE STATE
18 ENHANCE DENSITY IN AREAS WHERE TRAFFIC AND OTHER
19 CONSIDERATIONS WOULD PRECLUDE DENSITY FROM BEING GRANTED
20 RELATIVE STREET PARKING, ROAD CONGESTION AND IMPACT ON
21 INFRASTRUCTURE. AND WHILE YOU NEED ADDITIONAL HOUSING, YOU
22 ALSO HAVE TO BE-- TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE SURROUNDING
23 AREAS' ABILITY TO HANDLE THAT ADDITIONAL INFLUX, WHICH IS AN
24 ARBITRARY NUMBER BEING SET BY A GOVERNMENT THAT'S AWAY FROM
25 THE RESIDENCE THAT WILL HAVE TO SUFFER THE IMPACT OF THAT



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1 DENSITY. AND, AGAIN, IT'S-- ONCE-- IT'S REMOVING LOCAL
2 CONTROL, LOCAL DECISION MAKING FROM A VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE.
3 MANY CITIES IN THIS COUNTY, MANY COUNTIES IN OUR-- COMMUNITIES
4 IN OUR COUNTY HAVE STANDARD, SPECIAL STANDARDS DISTRICT AND TO
5 ARBITRARILY SAY NOW YOU HAVE TO PUT IN ADDITIONAL HOUSING
6 VIOLATES THEIR GENERAL PLAN AND THEIR COMMUNITY STANDARD
7 DISTRICTS, SO IT'S NOT WORKABLE. IT LOOKS GOOD ON PAPER BUT,
8 WHEN YOU IMPLEMENT IT, IT'S DENYING COMMUNITIES THE RIGHT TO
9 HAVE A DETERMINATION AS TO HOW THEIR COMMUNITY WILL BE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** DOES THIS OVERRIDE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICTS?

12

13 **JULIE MOORE:** YES, IT DOES, IT HAS A COUNTYWIDE APPLICATION,
14 INCLUDING IN THE COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT AREAS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS COULD OVERRIDE THE GENERAL PLAN?

17

18 **JULIE MOORE:** THAT'S CORRECT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S WHY, PHILOSOPHICALLY, I'D BE
21 OPPOSED TO IT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE A COUPLE OF ISSUES THAT I WANTED TO
24 RAISE AND A POSSIBLE AMENDMENT HERE. ON THE SENIOR CITIZEN
25 HOUSING, WHAT IS THE LIMIT, THE NUMBER OF YEARS THAT A



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1 HOUSING-- SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING PROJECT HAS TO REMAIN A
2 SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING PROJECT UNDER THE ORDINANCE?

3

4 **JULIE MOORE:** UNDER THE ORDINANCE, IT'S NOT SPECIFIED. WHEN YOU
5 LOOK AT THE REFERENCES TO THE CIVIL CODE, WHICH APPEAR IN
6 DENSITY BONUS LAW, YOU COULD INTERPRET THE REQUIREMENTS TO BE
7 FOR THE LIFE OF THAT DEVELOPMENT THAT'S RESTRICTED TO SENIOR
8 CITIZENS. BASED ON FAIR HOUSING LAWS, YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO
9 RESERVE UNITS FOR SENIORS-- YOU KNOW, AGE RESTRICT THE UNITS
10 AS OPPOSED TO OPENING IT UP TO SOMEBODY OF A DIFFERENT AGE
11 GROUP OTHER THAN SENIORS. HOWEVER, BY BUILDING A SENIOR
12 CITIZEN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
13 CIVIL CODE, YOU ARE ABLE TO AGE RESTRICT. AND SO, FOR AS LONG
14 AS THE DEVELOPMENT IS AGE RESTRICTED AND THERE'S NO TIME
15 SPECIFIED BUT IT WOULD BE PROBABLY FOR THE LIFE OF THAT
16 DEVELOPMENT...

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, WHY WAS I UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT
19 THERE WAS A 20-YEAR MINIMUM? DOES THAT RING A BELL TO YOU?

20

21 **JULIE MOORE:** 20 YEARS DOES NOT. TYPICALLY, WHAT WE SEE IN
22 VARIOUS LAWS ARE 30 YEARS. 30 YEARS IS TYPICAL BECAUSE
23 CONVENTIONAL FINANCING IS FOR USUALLY 30 YEARS.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN I ASK COUNTY COUNSEL A QUESTION?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT DONE HERE BUT GO AHEAD.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** WITHOUT-- DO WE HAVE TO ADOPT THIS BY STATE LAW?

7

8 **RICHARD WEISS:** YES. WELL, THERE ARE PORTIONS OF THE PROPOSED
9 ORDINANCE THAT GO BEYOND THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF STATE LAW
10 THAT WERE RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMISSION TO FURTHER PROMOTE AND
11 INCENTIVIZE AFFORDABLE HOUSING. HOWEVER, YES, YOUR BOARD IS
12 REQUIRED TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE THAT IMPLEMENTS THE MINIMUM
13 REQUIREMENTS IN THE GOVERNMENT CODE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** AND WHAT'S THE TIME LINE ON THAT OR DO YOU WAIT
16 UNTIL A LAWSUIT, I ASSUME?

17

18 **RICHARD WEISS:** THERE IS NO SPECIFIED TIME LIMIT IN THE
19 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION. THIS LAW HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT IN EFFECT
20 SINCE THE BEGINNING OF 2005 AND WE WOULDN'T ENCOURAGE YOUR
21 BOARD TO DELAY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD YOU GIVE US A FACT SHEET AS TO
24 WHAT THE STATE LAW IS AND WHAT'S BEING ENHANCED IN THIS
25 PROPOSAL?



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2 **RICHARD WEISS:** I CANNOT GIVE YOU...

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO, I DON'T MEAN THIS INSTANT BUT
5 COULD YOU PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION?

6

7 **RICHARD WEISS:** WE COULD AND I THINK JULIE COULD DESCRIBE FOR
8 YOUR BOARD, IN SOMEWHAT SIMPLE TERMS, THOSE PORTIONS OF THE
9 ORDINANCE WHICH ARE FURTHER INCENTIVES BEYOND THE STATE
10 REQUIREMENTS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** MY UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT SOME OF THESE CHANGES IN
15 OUR PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS TO GIVE SOME LEVEL OF CERTAINTY TO
16 THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE LOOKING AT IN-FILL DEVELOPMENTS AND I
17 WOULD LIKE TO GET SOME ASSURANCE THAT THAT IS WHAT REALLY
18 HAPPENS AS A RESULTS OF BEING VERY-- A LITTLE BIT MORE
19 SPECIFIC AS IT RELATES TO DISCRETIONARY DETERMINATIONS AND
20 WHAT CAN BE CONSIDERED AS DISCRETIONARY.

21

22 **JULIE MOORE:** AGAIN, JULIE MOORE, FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
23 REGIONAL PLANNING. THE PROCESS THAT'S IDENTIFIED IN STATE LAW
24 IS NOT A DISCRETIONARY PROCESS. THE LAW REQUIRES A
25 NONDISCRETIONARY APPROVAL PROCESS FOR THE DENSITY BONUS AND



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1 FOR THE INCENTIVES AND THEREFORE THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE
2 CONTAINS AN ADMINISTRATIVE HOUSING PERMIT, WHICH IS THE
3 IMPLEMENTING VEHICLE FOR THE DENSITY BONUS AND INCENTIVES. THE
4 THING THAT GOES BEYOND THE MANDATED PROVISIONS WOULD BE THE
5 MENU THAT'S PROPOSED. THE PURPOSE OF THE MENU IS TO FOCUS
6 DEVELOPERS ON INCENTIVES THAT THE COUNTY FEELS MOST
7 COMFORTABLE WITH. OTHERWISE, THEY COULD PRETTY MUCH ASK FOR
8 ANYTHING. THE ANYTHING COULD BE SOMETHING VERY IMPACTFUL AND
9 SO THE COUNTY DOES HAVE THE ABILITY, UNDER STATE LAW AND THE
10 PROPOSED ORDINANCE, TO DENY THE PROJECT IF THE PROJECT, THE
11 INCENTIVES OF THE PROJECT WOULD HAVE A ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE
12 HEALTH, SAFETY, THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT OR HISTORIC RESOURCES
13 OR IF THE INCENTIVE DID NOT CONTRIBUTE TO THE AFFORDABILITY OF
14 THE PROJECT, YOU KNOW, KEEPING THE RENTS OR HOUSING COSTS
15 AFFORDABLE. THAT SAID, YOU HAVE CONTROL OVER WHAT APPEARS ON
16 THE MENU. THE MENU IS A GOOD IDEA BECAUSE THE MENU FOCUSES
17 DEVELOPERS ON SELECTING INCENTIVES THAT YOU FEEL ARE
18 APPROPRIATE. WE'VE WORK WITH THIS MENU IN DEVELOPING IT SINCE
19 THE PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING WHERE WE HAD THE AFFORDABLE
20 HOUSING DEVELOPERS COME AND SAY "WE NEED CERTAINTY." MOST OF
21 WHAT THEY DEVELOPED IS INFILL-- INFILL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.
22 SO WE BASICALLY USED AN IDEA THAT THE CITY OF L.A. HAD
23 DEVELOPED AND CUSTOMIZED IT FOR WHAT WE FELT THE ISSUES WERE
24 IN THE COUNTY. SO THE ITEMS THAT YOU SEE ON THE MENU ARE
25 THINGS THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION FELT COMFORTABLE WITH. AND



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1 THERE'S ALSO PREREQUISITES TO USING THE MENU. THE EMPHASIS IS
2 TO PROMOTE INFILL DEVELOPMENT IN URBAN AREAS AND SO THERE ARE
3 CERTAIN THINGS THAT APPEAR ON-- THE PREREQUISITES THAT YOU
4 WOULD HAVE TO MEET TO BE ABLE TO USE THE MENU IS THAT THE
5 PROJECT MUST BE A QUALIFIED AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
6 UNDER THE ORDINANCE. AND, TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE MENU
7 INCENTIVES, YOU WOULD NEED TO BE OUTSIDE OF AREA HIGH FIRE
8 HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE; YOU WOULD HAVE TO BE WITHIN AN AREA THAT
9 IS SERVED BY A PUBLIC SEWER SYSTEM; WITHIN AN AREA THAT IS
10 SERVED BY A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM; NOT WITHIN A SIGNIFICANT
11 ECOLOGICAL AREA OR S.E.A.; AND ALSO NOT WITHIN AN
12 ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE HABITAT AREA, ESHA. THAT'S WOULD BE
13 UNDER THE MALIBU LAND USE PLAN. ON LAND NOT HAVING A NATURAL
14 SLOPE OF OVER 25% OR MORE AND MANY, MANY PROJECTS IN THE
15 COUNTY THAT COME THROUGH ALSO REQUIRE OTHER DISCRETIONARY
16 ENTITLEMENTS. THAT INCLUDES IF YOU'RE DOING A LAND DIVISION
17 FOR OWNERSHIP HOUSING OR IF THE USE ITSELF, THE RESIDENTIAL
18 USE REQUIRES A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. SO IF YOU'RE IN A
19 COMMERCIAL ZONE, YOU REQUIRE A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR
20 RESIDENCES. SO THERE ARE CHECKS AND BALANCES THERE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I WAS MISTAKEN ON THE 20 YEAR. THERE
25 IS NO-- AS YOU INDICATED, THERE IS NO LIMIT. WHAT I WANT TO DO



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1 IS ENSURE THAT THERE'S A MINIMUM OF 30 YEARS ON THE SENIOR
2 CITIZEN ELEMENT THAT, IF SOMEBODY'S GOING TO USE THAT TO
3 FULFILL THEIR-- OR EXERCISE THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THIS ORDINANCE
4 AND SAY THEY'RE DOING IT FOR-- USE IT AS A HOUSING PROJECT,
5 THAT THEY DO IT FOR AT LEAST 30 YEARS WHICH, AS YOU SAY, IS
6 CONSISTENT WITH THE FINANCING AND ALL SO-- AND THE SECOND
7 THING IS ON THE OFF-MENU-- BY THE WAY, LET ME JUST SAY ON THE
8 WHOLE, I THINK EVERYBODY'S DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB ON THIS.
9 THIS COULD BE A VERY MESSY SITUATION FOR ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT,
10 THE WAY THIS BILL WAS WRITTEN, AND I THINK THERE ARE A LOT OF
11 THINGS ABOUT THIS BILL ORIGINALLY THAT I WOULD HAVE DONE
12 DIFFERENTLY. WE WERE ASLEEP AT THE SWITCH. I MEAN, I THINK
13 MOST OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN THIS STATE WAS ASLEEP AT THE
14 SWITCH ON THIS WHEN THAT WAS GOING THROUGH. BUT, NEVERTHELESS,
15 I THINK YOU'VE DONE A GREAT JOB GIVEN THE LEGISLATION THAT'S
16 PASSED FASHIONING AN ORDINANCE AND I'M VERY SUPPORTIVE OF IT.
17 THE ONE THING I WANT TO ADD IN HERE-- THE TWO THINGS, ONE I'VE
18 JUST DISCUSSED, THE 30 YEARS ON SENIORS. THE SECOND IS ON THE
19 OFF MENU INCENTIVES. THERE OUGHT TO BE AN APPEAL AVAILABLE NOT
20 JUST TO THE DEVELOPER BUT TO ANY INTERESTED PARTY, JUST ON THE
21 OFF MENU BECAUSE THEY CAN BE, JUST LIKE THE DEVELOPER WANTS
22 CERTAINTY, EVERYBODY ELSE WOULD LIKE A LITTLE BIT OF CERTAINTY
23 AND STABILITY, TOO, AND WHEN SOMETHING IS OFF THE CHARTS THAT
24 IS AT VARIANCE WITH CERTAINTY, THEN BOTH THE DEVELOPER, EITHER
25 THE DEVELOPER OR THE NEIGHBOR OR REGISTERED PARTY AND



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1 ASSOCIATION IN THE AREA OUGHT TO HAVE A RIGHT TO APPEAL IT AND
2 SO I WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING MOTION. I WON'T READ THE WHOLE
3 PREAMBLE, I'VE JUST GIVEN YOU THE PREAMBLE, ONE, THAT SENIOR
4 CITIZEN HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS SHOULD BE RESERVED FOR SENIOR
5 CITIZENS FOR AT LEAST 30 YEARS FROM THE ISSUANCE DATE OF THE
6 CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY. THE ORDINANCE WOULD BE AMENDED
7 ACCORDINGLY. AND, TWO, THAT THE ORDINANCE BE AMENDED THAT,
8 WHEN AN OFF MENU INCENTIVE IS REQUESTED, AN APPEAL TO THE
9 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION MAY BE MADE BY THE APPLICANT OR
10 ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTY. ALTERNATIVELY, THE DECISION MAY BE
11 CALLED UP FOR REVIEW BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION WITHIN 21 DAYS
12 OF RECEIPT OF NOTIFICATION. AN APPEAL UNDER THESE
13 CIRCUMSTANCES MAY BE ONLY DEEMED VALID BY THE PLANNING
14 DIRECTOR IF THAT APPEAL IS BASED ON FACTS THAT THE PLANNING
15 COMMISSION CAN LEGALLY CONSIDER FOR DENIAL OF A PROJECT UNDER
16 STATE LAW. THEY CAN'T HAVE ANY FRIVOLOUS APPEALS AND THAT SORT
17 OF THING, AND THAT WOULD BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PLANNING
18 DIRECTOR. FURTHER, ALL NOTICES OF DECISION MUST CONTAIN A
19 STATEMENT INFORMING RECIPIENTS OF THE NOTICE. (A) THAT THE
20 PROJECT IS SUBJECT TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT AND IS NOT
21 SUBJECT TO DISCRETIONARY REVIEW AND (B) THEY BE INFORMED OF
22 THE LIMITED GROUNDS ON WHICH AN APPEAL MAY BE FILED AND (C)
23 THEY BE INFORMED OF THE LIMITED GROUNDS ON WHICH THE PLANNING
24 COMMISSION MAY LEGALLY DENY A PERMIT UNDER STATE LAW AND THAT
25 THE DECISION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION SHALL BE FINAL ON



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1 THAT. SO THERE'S A VERY NARROW RANGE OF DISCRETION, THERE'S NO
2 DISCRETION, THERE'S A VERY NARROW RANGE OF WHAT THE PLANNING
3 COMMISSION CAN DO ON APPEAL. I WANT EVERYBODY TO BE NOTIFIED
4 OF THAT BUT THEY OUGHT TO HAVE A RIGHT TO APPEAL ON AN OFF
5 MENU ITEM. THAT'S-- SO I MAKE THAT MOTION, MR. CHAIRMAN, AS AN
6 AMENDMENT. I THINK IT'S KEEPING WITHIN THE SPIRIT OF WHAT...

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'LL SECOND THAT AMENDMENT AND LET ME JOIN IN
11 CONGRATULATING AND THANKING JULIE AND MISS CHUNG FOR THEIR
12 WORK ON THIS. I THINK IT'S TREMENDOUS LEADERSHIP. THE PART
13 THAT I'M HAVING-- THAT I'M DISAPPOINTED IN IS THE FACT THAT
14 IT'S ONLY THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. I THINK THAT THIS COULD BE
15 A WIN/WIN FOR SO MANY OF THE CITIES. YOU KNOW, AN AFFORDABLE
16 HOUSING COMPONENT IS ALL OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY IN LOCAL
17 GOVERNMENT, IT ISN'T JUST CERTAIN COMMUNITIES. YESTERDAY, I
18 WAS SERVING ON-- WHEN I WAS SERVING ON THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR
19 EAST COMMITTEE, THEY HAD A HUGE LARGE PARCEL OF EXCESS LAND
20 THAT THEY HAD BOUGHT IN WEST COVINA AND OUR RESPONSIBILITY,
21 UNDER STATE LAW, IS TO MAKE IT AVAILABLE FOR AFFORDABLE
22 HOUSING BUT THE CITY OF WEST COVINA WOULD NOT CHANGE THEIR
23 ZONING ON IT AND THEY WANTED IT EXCLUSIVELY TO BE COMMERCIAL,
24 NOT EVEN JOINT USE, AND IT WAS VERY, VERY DISAPPOINTING THAT
25 WE HAD TO APPROVE SOMETHING WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN A GREAT



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1 SENIOR CITIZEN COMPLEX, AFFORDABLE HOUSING. I THINK THAT MANY
2 OF THESE COMMUNITIES AREN'T RECOGNIZING AND REALIZING THAT
3 EVERYONE NEEDS AFFORDABLE HOUSING THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITIES.
4 MOST OF OUR CHILDREN CAN'T AFFORD THE RENTS NOWADAYS, EVEN
5 THOUGH THEY'RE 20 AND ABOVE. THERE'S A LOT OF SENIOR CITIZENS,
6 I CAN'T TELL YOU THE NUMBER OF VISITS I GET FROM SENIOR
7 CITIZENS WHERE THE RENTS ARE GOING UP SO HIGH, THEY JUST DON'T
8 HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO COVER THEM. THIS IS A RESPONSIBILITY AND
9 I'M WONDERING IF THERE'S ANYTHING THAT THE DEPARTMENT COULD DO
10 TO OFFER THE SAME KIND OF A MODEL TO MANY OF OUR CITIES. I
11 THINK IT'S WELL DONE, I THINK IT'S THE KIND OF THING THAT
12 MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO THEM, MAYBE SOME OF THE CITIES JUST DON'T
13 KNOW HOW TO UTILIZE IT. I THINK IT HAS TREMENDOUS VALUE AND
14 SO, ANYTHING THAT-- I MEAN, I DON'T WANT TO MAKE IT A MOTION
15 BUT IF THERE'S SOMETHING THAT COULD BE DONE, I THINK MANY OF
16 OUR CITIES WOULD BENEFIT FROM SOMETHING LIKE THAT AND THERE
17 WOULD BE NOTHING NICER THAN HAVING SOME CONSISTENT PROCESS AND
18 POLICY THAT WOULD NOT BE WITHIN-- I THINK IT'S SOMETHING THE
19 CITY OF L.A. MIGHT LOOK AT, AS WELL, I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY HOW
20 THEY'RE HANDLING THIS PART OF IT BUT CERTAINLY A LOT OF THE
21 CITIES IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHERE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS
22 NOT AS AVAILABLE AS IT USED TO BE. IT WOULD BE A GREAT
23 OPPORTUNITY. AND SO I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT PROCESS IS AS TO
24 HOW YOU, YOU KNOW, MIX WITH OTHER FOLKS IN OTHER CITIES, BUT
25 IT WOULD BE GREAT IF YOU COULD. I'D APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST WANT TO...

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** ...ON THE MENU OF INCENTIVES, IS THE SCOPE OF
7 APPEALABILITY AS NARROW?

8

9 **JULIE MOORE:** IT'S VERY NARROW. IT'S VERY NARROW. IF YOU SELECT
10 FROM THE MENU OF INCENTIVES, ONLY THE APPLICANT HAS THE RIGHT
11 OF APPEAL.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** THE NEIGHBORS DO NOT HAVE ANY RIGHT?

14

15 **JULIE MOORE:** THAT'S CORRECT. IT'S ESSENTIALLY A MINISTERIAL
16 PROCESS, SIMILAR TO JUST A SITE PLANNER REVIEW SO THE DECISION
17 IS BETWEEN THE PLANNING STAFF, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND THE
18 APPLICANT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT BECAUSE OF STATE LAW OR IS THAT OUR
21 CHOICE?

22

23 **JULIE MOORE:** STATE LAW REQUIRES A NONDISCRETIONARY REVIEW.
24 WHERE IT'S NONDISCRETIONARY, IT'S MINISTERIAL, IT'S
25 ADMINISTRATIVE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DOES THAT APPLY TO THE OFF MENU ALSO?

3

4 **JULIE MOORE:** THAT IS CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT YOUR MOTION CHANGES THAT?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S WHAT I WAS ABOUT TO ASK. HOW DOES OUR
9 MOTION-- IT'S NONDISCRETIONARY BUT, BY DEFINITION, IF YOU
10 APPEAL IT TO A COMMISSION, THE COMMISSION CAN MODIFY IT SO IT
11 BECOMES A DISCRETIONARY.

12

13 **JULIE MOORE:** WELL, NO, THE COMMISSION DOESN'T MODIFY THE
14 PROCESS SO THAT IT'S DISCRETIONARY. THE APPEAL IS A REVIEW OF
15 THE DECISION OF BASICALLY THE PLANNING STAFF OR THE DIRECTOR.
16 IT DOESN'T INFUSE THE PROCESS WITH DISCRETION THAT DIDN'T
17 EXIST BEFORE.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, THEN, WHAT DOES THE APPEAL DO? WHAT
20 DOES THE COMMISSION DO WHEN THIS COMES TO THEM ON APPEAL? WHAT
21 IS A NEIGHBOR'S RIGHT TO APPEAL? UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES?

22

23 **JULIE MOORE:** IT'S VERY LIMITED. IT'S VERY LIMITED. THEY WOULD
24 HAVE TO SHOW, BY SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE, THAT THE PLANNING STAFF
25 ERRED IN APPROVING THE PROJECT. THEY WOULD HAVE TO SHOW THAT



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1 THE PROJECT WOULD HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON HEALTH,
2 SAFETY, THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT, HISTORIC RESOURCES.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THEN THE PLANNING COMMISSION WOULD HEAR
5 THE TESTIMONY ON BOTH SIDES, FROM THE STAFF AND FROM THE
6 APPELLANT? AND THEN...

7

8 **JULIE MOORE:** RIGHT, THERE COULD BE SOME FACTS THAT THE
9 PLANNING DEPARTMENT OVERLOOKED OR DIDN'T HAVE. IT'S A VERY
10 EXTRAORDINARY TYPE OF REVIEW THAT THE PLANNING STAFF IS BEING
11 ASKED TO DO.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT SOUNDS LIKE A DISCRETIONARY PROCESS TO
14 ME. IT'S IN THE DISCRETION OF A PLANNING COMMISSIONER TO
15 DECIDE WHETHER YOU ERRED OR NOT. AS YOU ALL KNOW, ERRORS ARE
16 SOMETIMES IN THE EYES OF THE BEHOLDER. IT COULD BE A JUDGMENT
17 CALL. YOU WANT TO SHED ANY LIGHT THIS?

18

19 **RICHARD WEISS:** WELL, I THINK YOU'RE CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.
20 HOWEVER, THIS IS THE CONTEXT IN WHICH THE GOVERNMENT CODE
21 SECTION IS WRITTEN. ON THE ONE HAND, IT SAYS THAT, IF YOU
22 PROPOSE THE PERCENTAGE OF AFFORDABLE OR SENIOR HOUSING, THE
23 GOVERNMENT CANNOT REQUIRE A DISCRETIONARY CONSIDERATION. ON
24 THE OTHER HAND, THE SAME SECTION DOES PROVIDE THAT THERE ARE
25 THREE-- TWO OR THREE LIMITED CRITERIA IN WHICH A SPECIFIC



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1 INCENTIVE OR CONCESSION CAN BE DENIED. SO ON THE ONE HAND, IT
2 SAYS IT'S NOT...

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT ARE THOSE CRITERIA?

5

6 **RICHARD WEISS:** SPECIFICALLY, THAT THE INCENTIVE OR CONCESSION
7 IS NOT NECESSARY TO MAKE THE AFFORDABLE PROJECT FEASIBLE.
8 THAT'S PRIMARILY FROM AN ECONOMIC STANDPOINT AND, AS JULIE
9 JUST INDICATED, THE OTHER CRITERIA IS WHETHER OR NOT THE
10 PROJECT WILL HAVE A SPECIFIC ADVERSE IMPACT ON HEALTH AND
11 SAFETY OR THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT OR HISTORIC RESOURCES.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT, SO ESPECIALLY ON THE FIRST ONE,
14 IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU GOT A LOT OF DISCRETION. IN ANY CASE, LET
15 ME ASK YOU THE FLIP SIDE. A DEVELOPER DOES HAVE THE RIGHT TO
16 APPEAL UNDER YOUR DRAFT BEFORE THIS AMENDMENT GOES THROUGH IF
17 IT GOES THROUGH. THE DEVELOPER HAS A RIGHT TO APPEAL ON AN OFF
18 MENU. DOES HE ALSO HAVE A RIGHT TO APPEAL ON AN ON MENU ITEM?

19

20 **JULIE MOORE:** THAT'S CORRECT.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT ARE THE GROUNDS IN WHICH A DEVELOPER
23 CAN APPEAL?

24



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1 **JULIE MOORE:** THEY WOULD LIKELY BE APPEALING A DENIAL, SO I
2 GUESS THEY WOULD BE DISPUTING THE DECISION OF THE DIRECTOR,
3 BASED ON THE FACT THAT THEIR PROJECT-- THEY FEEL THE PROJECT
4 DOESN'T HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE HEALTH,
5 SAFETY, PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT OR HISTORIC RESOURCES OR IT COULD
6 BE AN ISSUE OF THE PLANNING STAFF MAY HAVE DENIED THE
7 APPLICATION, BASED ON THE INCENTIVE BEING REQUESTED DID NOT
8 CONTRIBUTE TO MAINTAINING THE AFFORDABILITY OF THE PROJECT,
9 AND WE WOULD BE ABLE TO SEE THAT BY REVIEWING THEIR
10 DEVELOPMENT PERFORMA, WHICH IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE
11 REQUIRE IN THE APPLICATION MATERIALS.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. I THINK-- IT SOUNDS TO ME, YOU
14 DON'T WANT TO CALL IT DISCRETION BUT THERE'S CERTAINLY, BY
15 WEBSTER'S DEFINITION, THERE'S A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF JUDGMENT
16 THAT'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE EXERCISED BY THE COMMISSION ON
17 THIS.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST-- I MEAN, BUT THERE'S NO WAY...

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE AND THEN SUPERVISOR
22 KNABE.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** I JUST WANT TO HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING ON AN
25 EXAMPLE. IF YOU HAVE A MARKET RATE PROJECT WITH 20%



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1 AFFORDABILITY AND THE NEIGHBORS SAY THAT THE ADDITIONAL
2 DENSITY BONUS THAT HAS BEEN PROVIDED WILL CAUSE A TRAFFIC
3 HAZARD, IS THAT HEALTH AND SAFETY? IS THAT AN ISSUE THAT CAN
4 BE RAISED BY THE NEIGHBORS?

5

6 **JULIE MOORE:** THAT'S AN ISSUE THAT CAN BE RAISED BY THE
7 NEIGHBORS, DEFINITELY.

8

9 **RICHARD WEISS:** I'M NOT SURE I FULLY AGREE. WITH RESPECT TO THE
10 ACTUAL PERCENTAGE OF DENSITY BONUS, AS OPPOSED TO CONCESSIONS
11 OR INCENTIVES, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THAT IS MANDATORY
12 AND THAT MUST BE PROVIDED AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE APPEAL
13 RIGHTS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S A SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE. I MEAN, THAT'S MY
16 QUESTION, IS THE APPEALABILITY OF THE NEIGHBORS. IS THERE
17 ANYTHING THAT THEY CAN APPEAL?

18

19 **RON HOFFMAN:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M RON HOFFMAN FROM THE
20 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. AS MR. WEISS EXPLAINED, THE
21 BONUS ITSELF IS NOT SUBJECT TO DISCRETION OR ANY KIND OF
22 APPEAL. THAT IS A MANDATE OF THE STATE LAW. HOWEVER, IF A
23 BONUS IS REQUESTED AS PART OF AN INCENTIVE, THAT THAT COULD--
24 THAT ASPECT OF IT COULD BE APPEALED AND ONLY THOSE GROUNDS, AS
25 WERE DISCUSSED THAT ARE SPECIFICALLY STATED IN STATE LAW, AND,



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1 GRANTED, THEY DO REQUIRE SOME JUDGMENT BUT IT IS PROCESSED IN
2 A MINISTERIAL, A NONDISCRETIONARY FORMAT, THE WAY THE
3 ORDINANCE IS WRITTEN AND PROPOSED IS THAT, WHEN YOU'RE ON
4 MENU, WHICH HAS A SPECIFIC LIST OF INCENTIVES, THOSE PERMITS
5 CAN ONLY BE APPEALED BY THE APPLICANT. THAT IS NOT A
6 REQUIREMENT BY STATE LAW. THAT IS A POLICY DECISION THAT THE
7 PLANNING COMMISSION CAME TO IN A WAY TO PROMOTE THE USE OF THE
8 ON MENU PROCESS WHICH PROVIDES THAT CERTAINTY FOR THE
9 DEVELOPERS. THE OFF MENU, WHERE ANY INCENTIVE OR CONCESSION
10 COULD BE ASKED FOR, THAT IS THE ISSUE THAT SUPERVISOR
11 YAROSLAVSKY HAS SUGGESTED AN AMENDMENT TO, TO BROADEN THE
12 APPEAL RIGHT TO THE NEIGHBORS SO THAT, WHEN THE INCENTIVE OR
13 CONCESSION IS NOT SPECIFICALLY LAID OUT BY ORDINANCE AND COULD
14 BE ALMOST ANYTHING, THAT THOSE SORTS OF INCENTIVES FOR THAT
15 ASPECT OF A HOUSING PERMIT COULD BE APPEALED BY THE NEIGHBORS.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD YOU GIVE AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT AN OFF
18 MENU WOULD BE?

19

20 **RON HOFFMAN:** AN OFF MENU KIND OF INCENTIVE COULD BE SOMETHING
21 THAT LET'S SAY EXCEEDS THE PARKING INCENTIVE THAT'S CONTAINED
22 ON MENU. THERE'S A LIMITED PARKING REDUCTION THAT IS ON MENU.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO A DEVELOPER COMES IN AND WANTS EVEN FEWER
25 PARKING SPACES THAN HE WOULD BE ENTITLED TO UNDER AN ON MENU



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1 BECAUSE IT MAKES HIS PROJECT WORK BETTER, IN HIS OPINION OR
2 ECONOMICAL OR WHATEVER, AND HE COMES IN AND ASKS FOR MORE THAN
3 HE'S OTHERWISE ENTITLED TO?

4

5 **RON HOFFMAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO, LIKE YOU SAY, THAT COULD BE ALMOST
8 ANYTHING.

9

10 **RON HOFFMAN:** THAT COULD BE ALMOST ANYTHING.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD HE ASK FOR A 12-STORY BUILDING WHERE
13 3-STORY HEIGHT LIMIT IS IN PLACE?

14

15 **RON HOFFMAN:** CERTAINLY. COULD ASK FOR AN UNLIMITED HEIGHT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THEN WHAT'S YOUR OBLIGATION?

18

19 **RON HOFFMAN:** OUR OBLIGATION, IN THAT REGARD, WOULD BE TO
20 EVALUATE, AS PART OF OUR ADMINISTRATIVE, MINISTERIAL PROCESS,
21 EVALUATE THE IMPACTS OF, LET'S SAY, REQUIRING NO PARKING OR
22 HAVING A 12-STORY BUILDING. WOULD THOSE KINDS OF INCENTIVES
23 RAISE SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS ON PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY IN TERMS
24 OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION, LIGHT AND AIR, SEWAGE DISPOSAL, FIRE
25 SAFETY, THOSE SORTS OF THINGS?



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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: IS BUSTING A HEIGHT LIMIT THAT IS ON THE BOOKS THE KIND OF THING THAT YOU PUT IN THE INCENTIVE CATEGORY? I'M NOT SURE I UNDERSTAND. IS IT IN THE INCENTIVE CATEGORY? IS IT IN A DISCRETIONARY CATEGORY? I MEAN, CERTAINLY THE STATE LEGISLATURE, IN ITS INFINITE WISDOM, DID NOT INTEND TO GO ALL OVER THE STATE AND SAY THAT ALL OF THE HUNDRED YEARS OF ZONING AND LAND USE PLANNING THAT HAVE BEEN DONE IN EVERY COMMUNITY AROUND THE STATE MEANS NOTHING IF YOU CALL IT-- IF YOU COME IN AND CALL IT A HOUSING DENSITY BONUS FOR HOUSING PRODUCTION. BUT THAT'S THE WAY IT CAME OUT. THAT'S WHY I THINK WE WERE ALL ASLEEP AT THE SWITCH.

13

RON HOFFMAN: AND I THINK THAT'S WHY WE CAME UP WITH THE LIST OF ON MENU INCENTIVES SO THEY WOULDN'T BE ALL OVER THE BOARD. IT WAS SOMETHING NOT ONLY THE PLANNING COMMISSION THOUGHT WAS APPROPRIATE BUT ALSO THE FOLKS THAT YOU'VE JUST HEARD FROM, THE HOUSING DEVELOPERS WANTED UNCERTAINTY. THE ON MENU INCENTIVES THAT WE'VE PROPOSED ARE FAIRLY MODEST. THEY DON'T GO ALL OVER THE BOARD. THEY REPRESENT SIGNIFICANT YET LIVABLE-- REASONABLE KINDS OF MODIFICATIONS THAT, IF APPLIED TO A HOUSING PROJECT, SHOULD NOT RAISE THOSE SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS THAT ARE...

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT WHY-- UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES-- WHAT IS
2 THE RATIONALE THAT, IF SOMEBODY DECIDES TO COME BUILD A
3 HOUSING PROJECT NEXT TO MY HOUSE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF
4 L.A. COUNTY, AND, IN ORDER TO MAKE IT WORK, WANTS IT TO BE 11
5 STORIES NEXT TO MY SINGLE FAMILY HOUSE, ALL ZONING IS
6 MEANINGLESS IN THIS THING. YOU REALIZE THAT. THAT THE R-1
7 ZONING, WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL IT, SINGLE-FAMILY ZONING
8 MEANS NOTHING. IF I COME IN AND SAY I WANT TO PRODUCE THAT,
9 THE HEIGHT LIMITS MEANS NOTHING, DENSITY MEANS NOTHING, I GET
10 CERTAIN BONUSES AND THEN INCENTIVES. SO I COME IN AND I WANT
11 TO BUILD AN 11-STORY BUILDING, SOMEBODY WANTS TO BUILD AN 11-
12 STORY BUILDING NEXT TO MY HOUSE, IT'S OFF MENU, WHAT ARE MY
13 GROUNDS TO APPEAL? BY THE WAY, I'M JUST CURIOUS WHY YOU GUYS
14 DIDN'T OFFER THAT OPPORTUNITY? I HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION ABOUT
15 THE ON MENU, TOO, BUT WHY YOU DIDN'T OFFER AN OPPORTUNITY FOR
16 ANYBODY BUT THE DEVELOPER TO APPEAL ON THAT SORT OF THING.

17

18 **RON HOFFMAN:** I THINK-- A COUPLE OF THINGS. CERTAINLY, THE
19 STATE HAS STAIN AWAY FROM SOME OF OUR AUTHORITY...

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL OF YOUR AUTHORITY. ALL OF THE WORK
22 THAT'S BEEN-- I COULD I CAN TELL YOU BECAUSE I'VE WATCHED THIS
23 IN THE CITY OF L.A. SIDE BECAUSE I HAPPEN TO LIVE IN THE CITY
24 AND I HAVE MORE THAN A PASSING INTEREST. I HAVE 20 YEARS
25 MYSELF OF LEGISLATION, AS MS. MOLINA SERVED ON THE CITY



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1 COUNCIL, TOO, AND WE-- SO I JUST WATCHED SOME OF THE HARD
2 FOUGHT BATTLES THAT WE WENT THROUGH TO PROTECT COMMUNITIES
3 FROM INDISCRIMINATE DEVELOPMENT. NOW, WITH THE STROKE OF THE
4 PEN, IT MEANS NOTHING. AND-- OKAY. LET'S GET OFF OF THAT.
5 LET'S GET BACK TO THIS. WHAT-- HOW FAR-- NO MATTER HOW FAR A
6 DEVELOPER GOES IN PROPOSING A HOUSING PROJECT, THE INTERESTED
7 PARTY, IF IT'S A NEIGHBOR OR A HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION OR
8 WHOEVER IT IS, IS LIMITED, IN THE SAME VERY NARROW SENSE, WANT
9 TO BUILD A SKYSCRAPER NEXT TO A ONE-STORY HOUSE? IT'S THE SAME
10 AS THOUGH YOU WANTED TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES BY
11 ONE SPACE, THE SAME LIMITED NARROW DISCRETION, IF YOU WILL, OR
12 LACK THEREOF?

13

14 **RON HOFFMAN:** THE GROUNDS FOR THE COUNTY TO DENY A DENSITY
15 BONUS HOUSING PERMIT ARE SPECIFICALLY SET IN STATE LAW. THE
16 ABILITY OF THE NEIGHBORS TO APPEAL, AS SUGGESTED IN YOUR
17 MOTION, WOULD APPLY TO THE OFF MENU ITEMS, WHICH WOULD BE--
18 COULD BE ANYTHING. SO THEREFORE THAT MAKES-- THAT'S A GOOD
19 SUGGESTION TO ALLOW MORE FOLKS TO APPEAL. THE ON MENU
20 MODIFICATIONS ON THE INCENTIVES ARE MUCH MORE MODEST AND WOULD
21 NOT RESULT IN THAT 11-STORY BUILDING THAT YOU'RE...

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME ASK YOU ONE LAST QUESTION. WHY DO YOU
24 OFFER THE DEVELOPER THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAL AT ALL ON THE ON
25 MENU? IF THE ISSUE IS CERTAINTY AND CLARITY, WHY DON'T THEY



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1 JUST LIVE WITH YOUR DECISION? AND IF YOU DO OFFER THEM AN
2 OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAL IT, WHY NOT ON THE ON MENU, WHY DON'T
3 YOU OFFER AN OPPORTUNITY FOR INTERESTED PARTIES TO APPEAL? WHY
4 WOULD YOU-- I MEAN, HERE'S A LIST OF ON MENU ITEMS. IT'S VERY
5 SPECIFIC. I DON'T THINK THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT OF DISPUTE
6 BUT, IF THE ONLY REASON THAT A DEVELOPER WOULD APPEAL IT IS TO
7 GET MORE UNITS OR TO GET LESS COST, REDUCE HIS COST, TRY TO
8 GET-- I GUESS THEY APPEAL IT TO THE COMMISSION, CORRECT?

9

10 **RON HOFFMAN:** WELL, I THINK WHAT WE'RE-- I THINK AS MISS MOORE
11 POINTED OUT, WHERE A DEVELOPER WOULD APPEAL, AN APPLICANT
12 WOULD APPEAL AN ON MENU ITEM IS IF WE, THE DIRECTOR, DENIED IT
13 AND MAYBE WE DENIED IT ON GROUNDS THAT WE FELT MET THE STATE
14 LAW AND THAT ARE WRITTEN INTO THE ORDINANCE BUT MAYBE WE
15 OVERLOOKED SOMETHING AND THE DEVELOPER WANTS...

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. FAIR ENOUGH. SO WHY NOT OFFER AN
18 INTERESTED PARTY THE SAME OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAL ON AN ON MENU
19 ITEM IN CASE YOU OVERLOOKED THE LAW YOURSELF AND GAVE SOMEBODY
20 SOMETHING THAT THEY WEREN'T ENTITLED TO AND THEY CATCH IT,
21 WHAT'S THEIR ALTERNATIVE? WHAT'S SOCIETY'S ALTERNATIVE WHEN
22 YOU DO SOMETHING THAT THE LAW DID NOT REQUIRE AND DID NOT
23 PROVIDE FOR ON AN ON MENU ITEM?

24

25 **RON HOFFMAN:** I THINK THEN THE OPTION WOULD BE...



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY'RE SCREWED, AREN'T THEY?

3

4 **RON HOFFMAN:** THEY WOULD HAVE TO FILE SOME KIND OF A LAWSUIT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU WANT TO ASK A RESIDENT TO FILE A
7 LAWSUIT BUT THE DEVELOPER GETS TO APPEAL IT AND, IN FACT, NOT
8 ONLY DOES HE GET TO APPEAL IT BUT ANY SUPERVISOR OR
9 COMMISSIONER CAN CALL IT UP, SAVING HIM THE FILING FEE. I JUST
10 FIND SOMETHING-- I DON'T THINK THAT'S BALANCED, THE MORE I--
11 ON THIS ONE ISSUE. IT'S NOT FUNDAMENTAL TO THE WHOLE ORDINANCE
12 BUT I JUST DON'T THINK IT'S-- IF IT'S GOOD FOR THE GOOSE, IT'S
13 GOT TO BE GOOD FOR THE GANDER. IF IT'S NOT ONE THEN IT
14 SHOULDN'T BE THE OTHER. I'D LIKE TO HEAR WHY, ON THE ON MENU
15 ITEMS, WE'VE TAKEN CARE OF THE AMENDMENT ON THE OFF MENU, WHY,
16 ON THE ON MENU ITEMS, WOULD YOU NOT WANT TO EITHER-- WHY DON'T
17 YOU SAY TO THE DEVELOPER, YOU'VE EITHER GOT TO LIVE WITH OUR
18 DECISION OR FILE A LAWSUIT AGAINST THE COUNTY?

19

20 **RON HOFFMAN:** WELL, I THINK THERE ARE TWO POINTS. I THINK THE
21 ON MENU ITEMS ARE THINGS THAT WOULD NOT NECESSARILY CAUSE A
22 LARGE PROBLEM WITH THE NEIGHBORS BECAUSE, CHANCES ARE, THESE
23 SORTS OF ON MENU DISCRETIONARY-- MINISTERIAL ACTIONS WOULD BE
24 IN AN R-3 ZONE. IT WOULDN'T HAPPEN IN YOUR R-1...

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU KNOW BETTER THAN TO MAKE THAT KIND OF A
2 STATEMENT. YOU'VE BEEN AROUND A LONG TIME. IT TAKES--
3 NEIGHBORS GET UPSET ABOUT VERY SMALL THINGS AND IT'S VERY
4 IMPORTANT TO THEM.

5

6 **RON HOFFMAN:** LET ME REPHRASE THAT. A REASONABLE NEIGHBOR WOULD
7 NOT... [LAUGHTER]

8

9 **RON HOFFMAN:** ...WOULD NOT BE UPSET BY SOME OF THOSE INCENTIVES
10 THAT WE'RE PROPOSED ON MENU. CERTAINLY, UNREASONABLE PEOPLE
11 WILL BE UPSET ABOUT ANYTHING, WHICH IS WHY THE STATE I THINK
12 HAS LIMITED GROUNDS FOR US, THE COUNTY, DENYING A DENSITY
13 BONUS HOUSING PERMIT. I THINK THE REASON THAT WE WOULD WANT TO
14 ALLOW A BROADER APPEAL ON THE OFF MENU WOULD BE THE LIKELIHOOD
15 THAT THEY COULD BE ANY-- ANY OTHER SORTS OF THINGS THAT COULD
16 HAVE SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I AGREE WITH THAT AND I DON'T WANT BEAT A
19 DEAD HORSE HERE-- IT'S NOT A DEAD HORSE BUT I DON'T WANT TO
20 BEAT THIS TO DEATH. I DISAGREE WITH YOU, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT.
21 ONE PERSON'S UNREASONABLENESS IS ANOTHER PERSON'S LIFE SAVINGS
22 AND THERE ARE THINGS IN HERE, AND YOU JUST HAVE-- IT VARIES
23 FROM COMMUNITY TO COMMUNITY AND YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT IT. I
24 MEAN, IN CITY TERRACE, FOR EXAMPLE, IN MS. MOLINA'S DISTRICT,
25 WHERE THE LOT SIZES ARE NOT UNIFORM AND THEY'RE SMALLER,



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1 WHEREAS, IN THE NORTH COUNTY OR FAR WEST COUNTY, THEY'RE, YOU
2 KNOW, ACRES AND ACRES, MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE WHETHER YOU ADD
3 A STORY OR YOU DON'T ADD A STORY. I MEAN, YOU ADD ONE STORY IN
4 AN AREA WHERE YOU HAVE PREDOMINANTLY ONE STORY BUILDINGS,
5 YOU'RE ALREADY ENTITLED TO TWO OR THREE AND THEN YOU'RE GOING
6 TO ADD A FOURTH, IT MAY MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE. IF YOU REDUCE A
7 SETBACK IN A COMMUNITY THAT HAS POSTAL-SIZED LOTS BY 20%, IF
8 YOU REDUCE THE SIDE YARD OR A FRONT YARD, IT MAKES A BIG
9 DIFFERENCE. I MEAN, THERE ARE COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BUSTED
10 THEIR BEHINDS FOR THEIR ENTIRE EXISTENCES TO HAVE UNIFORM
11 SETBACKS IN COMMUNITIES AND IT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE SO
12 IT'S NOT A HODGEPODGE OF ONE IS PROTRUDING AND ONE ISN'T,
13 ONE'S PROTRUDING, ONE ISN'T, SOME HAVE CEMENT INSTEAD OF GRASS
14 AND SOME HAVE GRASS INSTEAD OF CEMENT ON THEIR FRONT LAWNS.
15 AND, YOU KNOW, THERE ARE COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE THAT AND THERE
16 ARE COMMUNITIES THAT-- THE COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE TAKEN AND
17 ESTABLISHED STANDARDS HAVE A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE. AND
18 PEOPLE HAVE-- THE VALUE OF THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE, NOT TO
19 MENTION INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY VALUES, ARE PROTECTED AS A RESULT.
20 SO YOU CAN DO-- WHEN I LOOK AT SOME OF THESE-- UP TO A 20%
21 MODIFICATION FROM A SIDE YARD SETBACK REQUIREMENT, I MEAN, IN
22 SOME COMMUNITIES-- WHERE I LIVE, THERE'S A 10-FOOT SIDE YARD
23 REQUIREMENT AND I LIVE IN A PRETTY, YOU KNOW, STANDARD SINGLE-
24 FAMILY NEIGHBORHOOD. BUT IF YOU GO TO COMMUNITIES LIKE WHERE I
25 GREW UP, SOME OF THEM HAVE FIVE-FOOT SIDE YARDS, IF THEY HAVE



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1 SIDE YARDS AT ALL, AND SOME OF THE SIDE YARDS HAVE NEVER BEEN
2 RESPECTED ANYWAY BECAUSE PEOPLE BOOTLEG THINGS SO ALL I'M
3 SAYING IS THAT IT'S NOT UNREASONABLE FOR SOMEBODY WHO LIVES ON
4 A PIECE OF PROPERTY TO SAY, WAIT A MINUTE, HE'S ENTITLED TO
5 THREE STORIES, I'VE GOT A ONE-STORY, HE CAN'T MAKE THREE
6 STORIES WORK ECONOMICALLY BUT IF HE GETS A FOURTH STORY, HE
7 CAN MAKE IT WORK. SO ALL OF A SUDDEN YOU'VE GONE FROM A SERIES
8 OF ONE STORY BUILDINGS ON A BLOCK AND NOW ALL OF A SUDDEN
9 YOU'VE GOT A FOUR-STORY BUILDING, FOUR TIMES HIGHER. AND
10 SOMEBODY MAY DECIDE THAT'S RIDICULOUS AND THEY WANT TO HAVE A
11 HEARING ON IT, JUST LIKE A DEVELOPER MAY WANT TO HAVE A
12 HEARING IF YOU DENY IT. SO WOULD THERE BE ANY GREAT HARM IF,
13 ON THE ON MENU ITEMS, YOU GAVE THE NEIGHBORS OR ANY INTERESTED
14 PARTY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL AS WELL ON THE SAME BASIS AS MY
15 AMENDMENT ON THE OFF MENU ITEMS? WOULD IT DO ANY GREAT DAMAGE
16 TO THIS ORDINANCE?

17

18 **JULIE MOORE:** MAY I TRY AND ADDRESS THAT? I THINK IT DEPENDS,
19 REALLY, ON YOUR COMFORT LEVEL WITH THE MENU, WITH THE PROCESS
20 ASSOCIATED WITH THE MENU. WHEN WE WENT TO THE PLANNING
21 COMMISSION INITIALLY WITH THE DRAFT ORDINANCE, THE DRAFT
22 ORDINANCE LOOKED DIFFERENT, IT DIDN'T CONTAIN A MENU. THE MENU
23 CAME OUT OF TESTIMONY WE RECEIVED FROM THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
24 DEVELOPERS WHO WANTED CERTAINTY AND A CERTAIN PROCESS. SO,
25 WHEN THE PLANNING STAFF DEVELOPED THE MENU, AGAIN, WE



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1 PATTERNED IT AFTER THE MENU CONCEPT DEVELOPED BY THE CITY OF
2 L.A., THE PROCESS THAT WE SELECTED TO GO ALONG WITH THE MENU,
3 VERY SIMILAR TO A SITE PLAN REVIEW, WHICH THE APPEAL PROCESS
4 THAT WE SELECTED IS THE SAME PROCESS AS FOR A SITE PLAN
5 REVIEW. SO REALLY THIS COMES DOWN TO ARE YOU COMFORTABLE WITH
6 THAT PROCESS ASSOCIATED WITH THE MENU?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A SITE PLAN REVIEW
9 AND THIS IS THAT A SITE PLAN REVIEW, EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT THE
10 PROPERTY OWNER IS GOING TO HAVE TO COMPLY WITH THE UNDERLYING
11 ZONING. SO IF YOU'RE IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS OR IF
12 YOU'RE IN CITY TERRACE AND YOU GET A SITE PLAN REVIEW ON A
13 SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSE, YOU KNOW THAT IT'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE--
14 YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET ANY ONE-STORY BONUS ON TOP OF THAT.
15 YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET A SIDE YARD REDUCTION BONUS ON TOP OF
16 THAT. EVERYBODY KNOWS-- SO IT REALLY IS MINISTERIAL. BUT, ON
17 THIS, YOU HAVE THE POTENTIAL OF SIGNIFICANTLY ALTERING WHAT
18 THE NEIGHBORHOOD LOOKS LIKE. AND IT CAN BE DONE RIGHT BUT IT
19 CAN'T BE DONE, I ASSURE YOU, IT CAN'T BE DONE A HUNDRED
20 PERCENT OF THE TIME BY SOME MENU OR A CHECK OFF LIST BECAUSE
21 IT ALL DEPENDS ON THE COMMUNITY. AND THIS IS NOT A SCIENCE.
22 IT'S VERY MUCH A JUDGMENT CALL. AND EVERY COMMUNITY, AND WE
23 HAVE MANY OF THEM, HUNDREDS OF THEM, EVERY ONE IS DIFFERENT
24 AND THEY SEE THEMSELVES DIFFERENTLY. AND SO I WOULD BE A LOT
25 MORE COMFORTABLE, IF YOU WANTED TO GO-- I'M GENERALLY NOT



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1 OBJECTING TO THE MENU, ALTHOUGH I CAN SEE WHERE SOME OF MY
2 COLLEAGUES MIGHT FOCUS ON THIS A LOT MORE, I DON'T HAVE A LOT
3 OF URBANIZED UNINCORPORATED AREA, MY COLLEAGUES DO. BUT I
4 WOULD FEEL A LOT MORE COMFORTABLE IF YOU, ON THE ON MENU
5 STUFF, IS EITHER DON'T GIVE THE DEVELOPER THE APPEAL AND DON'T
6 GIVE THE INTERESTED PARTY THE APPEAL OR GIVE THEM BOTH THE
7 APPEAL AND IF YOU'RE GOING TO TELL A NEIGHBOR, WHO DOESN'T
8 HAVE THE RESOURCES TO GO FILE A LAWSUIT, THAT HE'S GOT TO FILE
9 A LAWSUIT IN SUPERIOR COURT TO CHALLENGE YOUR JUDGMENT BUT THE
10 DEVELOPER DOESN'T HAVE TO DO THAT, JUST HAS TO APPEAL IT TO
11 US, TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, I DON'T THINK THAT THAT'S
12 FAIR. SO I RAISE THAT. I'M NOT MAKING A MOTION AT THE POINT, I
13 JUST WANT TO HEAR WHAT IS MOST REASONABLE FROM YOUR POINT OF
14 VIEW AND I KNOW DON WAS RAISING THAT ISSUE BEFORE BUT I JUST--
15 I THINK IT'S EITHER ALL OR NOTHING.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** AND I WILL JUST CONCUR WITH ZEV'S COMMENTS. I
18 MEAN, I THINK, YOU KNOW, IT'S JUST LIKE THE-- IN SOME AREAS
19 THE MANSIONIZATION PROCESS THAT'S GOING ON. I THINK THE
20 CONCERN THAT I HAVE, AND I DO REPRESENT A LARGE UNINCORPORATED
21 AREA, IS THAT WE DON'T ALL OF A SUDDEN, YOU KNOW, IN A SINGLE-
22 FAMILY URBAN AREA, ALL OF A SUDDEN HAVE A HIGH-RISEINATION
23 GOING ON TO WHERE-- I MEAN, DOES THE-- THE EXAMPLE THAT ZEV
24 GAVE, THIS 11-STORY BUILDING OR UNIT DOES THAT COME UNDER OFF
25 MENU OR DOES THAT COME UNDER ON MENU?



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2 **RON HOFFMAN:** THAT DEFINITELY WOULD BE ON OFF MENU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. GOING FROM THREE STORIES TO FOUR STORIES,
5 OFF MENU OR ON MENU?

6

7 **RON HOFFMAN:** THAT WOULD BE AN ON MENU.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST WOULD CONCUR. IF THERE IS A WAY TO DO IT,
10 BECAUSE I'M-- GENERALLY, I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THIS POLICY BECAUSE
11 OF THOSE OF US-- WE'VE ALL WORKED HARD TO CREATE AFFORDABLE
12 HOUSING IN THOSE AREAS. BUT IF THERE IS SOME WAY TO CREATE AN
13 APPEAL PROCESS OR NO APPEAL PROCESS FOR BOTH SIDES BUT A
14 APPEAL PROCESS FOR THE NEIGHBORS, I MEAN, I THINK THAT'S
15 IMPORTANT.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** I AGREE. NOW, I UNDERSTAND, IT'S BEEN EXPLAINED TO
20 ME WHY THERE IS THIS APPEAL FOR THE DEVELOPER. I GUESS THAT'S
21 TO AVOID UNNECESSARY LITIGATION WHERE-- IF A MISTAKE IS MADE.
22 I AM VERY CONCERNED BECAUSE I DO HAVE A LOT OF INFILL AND I
23 HAVE AREAS WHERE THERE MAY BE A UTILIZATION OF THE DENSITY
24 BONUS TO OVERCOME OR AVOID SOME OF THE ZONING RESTRICTIONS. I
25 RECOGNIZE THAT THE STATE LAW IS SOMETHING WE HAVE TO ABIDE BY



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1 AND THAT WE PROBABLY SHOULD PASS THIS. I KNOW YOU'VE WORKED
2 VERY HARD AND WE SHOULD PROBABLY GO FORWARD WITH IT BUT I'D
3 LIKE TO HAVE SOME MECHANISM OF WHERE WE COME BACK AND I THINK,
4 WITHIN THE NEXT 60 DAYS, LOOKING AT SOME WAY THAT WE CAN BE
5 SURE THAT THE PUBLIC AND THE NEIGHBORS ARE PROTECTED. YOU
6 KNOW, I ASKED ABOUT THE TRAFFIC ISSUE. THE PARKING ISSUE IS
7 ONE. I SUSPECT THAT SOME OF THE AREAS OUT FURTHER THEY'RE
8 GOING TO HAVE WATER ISSUES AND HEALTH AND SAFETY, AND SAY,
9 WELL, YOU KNOW, THE AMOUNT OF WATER THAT'S REQUIRED, BY GIVING
10 YOU THIS DENSITY BONUS AND YOU ACCRUE NOT JUST ONE UNIT BUT A
11 LARGE NUMBER OF UNITS...

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SANITATION.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** ...WILL ALSO OPEN UP ISSUES AS IT RELATES TO
16 WHETHER OR NOT THERE'S ADEQUATE WATER TO PROVIDE FOR THE
17 DEVELOPMENT. SO I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT WE COME BACK IN 60
18 DAYS TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT WE NEED CLARIFICATION FROM
19 THE STATE, AS WELL, IN ORDER TO GIVE US THE ABILITY TO MEET
20 THE REQUIREMENTS THAT WE'RE GOING TO FACE. I KNOW I'M GOING TO
21 FACE IT IN MY DISTRICT, THAT THERE ARE GOING TO BE PEOPLE WHO
22 ARE ALL OF A SUDDEN UPSET AND FEEL THAT SOMEONE USED THE
23 DENSITY BONUS TO GET AROUND A ZONING REQUIREMENT. I CAN THINK
24 OF ONE PARTICULAR CASE RIGHT THIS MINUTE THAT I'M SURE THAT
25 THAT WILL BE WHAT WILL BE DONE. SO I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US COME



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1 BACK, FASHION SOME KIND OF LANGUAGE TO PROTECT NEIGHBORS IN
2 THIS WHOLE MENU AND ALSO TO BE A LITTLE BIT MORE SPECIFIC AS
3 TO WHAT'S IN THE MENU AND OFF MENU, BECAUSE ARE WE GOING TO GO
4 THROUGH A LONG COURT PROCEEDING TO DEFINE WHAT'S ON AND OFF
5 MENU? SO IF WE COULD HAVE SOMETHING MORE SPECIFIC AS WE GO
6 FORWARD AND IF IT REQUIRES STATE LEGISLATION, I WOULD SUGGEST
7 THAT WE DO THAT.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** EXCUSE ME. IT'S FAIRLY SPECIFIC.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S VERY CLEAR.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S HEALTH SAFETY. I DON'T KNOW HOW CLEAR THAT IS
16 TO YOU BUT IT OPENS UP A NUMBER OF ISSUES TO ME.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** ISN'T THAT THE PURPOSE IS TO MAKE IT EXTREMELY
19 CLEAR ON THE ON MENU?

20

21 **RON HOFFMAN:** RIGHT. SUPERVISORS...

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT HEALTH AND SAFETY IS NOT THAT CLEAR. THAT'S
24 VERY BROAD.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO HOW WOULD YOU DEFINE IT, MISS BURKE?

2

3 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I THINK THAT YOU WOULD DEFINE OR YOU WOULD
4 ENUMERATE CERTAIN SPECIFIC THINGS THAT ARE CONSIDERED TO BE
5 SAFETY. YOU KNOW, YOU MIGHT SAY WATER. YOU MIGHT SAY THAT
6 THERE IS, JUST LIKE WE DO A E.I.R., SOME OF THOSE ISSUES WE
7 LOOK AT IN THOSE CASES, IF PEOPLE HAVE SOME UNDERSTANDING THAT
8 THOSE THINGS BUT HEALTH AND SAFETY HAS A WIDE, WIDE DEFINITION
9 IN TERMS OF WHAT COULD BE INCLUDED.

10

11 **RON HOFFMAN:** JUST TO TRY TO MAKE-- EXPLAIN HOW THIS MIGHT
12 WORK, IN CONJUNCTION WITH SOMETHING YOU'RE FAMILY WITH, THE
13 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PROCESS. IT ALSO INCLUDES THAT SAME
14 WORDING, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY. I THINK THESE ARE TERMS
15 THAT COULD BE INTERPRETED BROADLY, BUT THESE ARE TERMS THAT WE
16 USE COMMONLY IN OUR LAWS, IN OUR CURRENT ORDINANCES TO ADDRESS
17 THE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED BY A NUMBER OF THE
18 SUPERVISORS, I THINK IF YOU WISHED, AS A POLICY MATTER, TO
19 MAKE THE APPEAL PROCESS FOR ON AND OFF MENUS THE SAME, AS
20 SUGGESTED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SO THAT BOTH THE
21 APPLICANT AND THE NEIGHBORS COULD APPEAL, STAFF WOULD NOT HAVE
22 ANY OBJECTION TO THAT SORT OF AN APPROACH.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT WASN'T THE INTENT HERE IS TO FACILITATE THIS
25 PROCESS OVERALL AND NOW WE'RE GETTING AWAY FROM THAT AGAIN.



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2 **RON HOFFMAN:** THAT'S WHY WE DID LIMIT THE ON MENU ITEMS TO THE
3 APPLICANT BECAUSE WE FELT THAT THERE WERE A CERTAIN LIMITED
4 SET OF MODIFICATIONS AND INCENTIVES THAT THEY COULD ASK FOR.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I'VE INTERFACED WITH A LOT OF FOLKS ON
7 AFFORDABILITY AND I REALLY THINK THIS IS REALLY GOING TO BE
8 HELPFUL TO US AND I'M REALLY CONCERNED. AND I KNOW, WHEN WE
9 LOOKED AT THE DENSITY BONUS APPROVALS AND THIS IS THE FIRST
10 DISTRICT, THE SECOND, THE THIRD, THE FOURTH AND THE FIFTH, ON
11 DENSITY BONUSES, AND WE'VE HAD-- I MEAN, THIS IS REALLY GOING
12 TO BE HELPFUL, WE'VE WORKED ON THIS, I'M REALLY CONCERNED THAT
13 WE'RE DEFEATING THE PURPOSE AND WE HAVEN'T HAD ENOUGH OF THOSE
14 INCIDENTS. I MEAN, I HAVE THE UNREASONABLE NEIGHBORS IN
15 CERTAIN AREAS THAT, YOU KNOW, THEY'RE OPPOSED TO IT, THEY
16 DON'T WANT ANY OF THOSE LOW INCOME PEOPLE IN THE DISTRICT AND,
17 EVEN THOUGH, WHEN WE LOOK AT THE PRICES OF WHAT THEY'RE GOING
18 TO PAY, IT'S NOT-- IT'S AFFORDABLE, IT'S NOT REALLY LOW
19 INCOME. THERE'S STILL A PROBLEM. I HOPE, MS. BURKE, AND YOU'RE
20 NOT SAYING GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD AND START AGAIN?

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** NO, I'M NOT SAYING GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD
23 BUT I DO THINK THAT THERE IS SOME NEED TO GIVE SOME KIND OF
24 CONSIDERATION AND THIS DOESN'T HAVE...

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT WE PUT THIS IN PLACE MAYBE FOR A YEAR...

2

3 **SUP. BURKE:** JUST A MOMENT. JUST A MOMENT. IT HAS NOTHING TO DO
4 WITH...

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LET MS. BURKE FINISH AND THEN
7 SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT
10 DON'T NECESSARILY WANT AFFORDABLE HOUSING. YOU HAVE
11 COMMUNITIES THAT WANT AFFORDABLE HOUSING, THAT WOULD LIKE TO
12 HAVE IT. THEY DON'T WANT IT AT A PRICE OF WHERE THEY ARE
13 PLACED IN A TREMENDOUS DISADVANTAGE AS A RESULT OF IT. AND ALL
14 I'M SAYING IS NOT THAT YOU-- OF COURSE, YOU WANT DENSITY
15 BONUSES, OF COURSE, YOU WANT TO PROVIDE EVERY OPPORTUNITY FOR
16 IT BUT DO YOU WANT TO GIVE UP EVERY ZONING BENEFIT OR PUT IN
17 JEOPARDY A NUMBER OF THEM IN ORDER TO PROVIDE IT? AND DO YOU
18 WANT TO GIVE THE UNSCRUPULOUS DEVELOPER THE ABILITY TO UTILIZE
19 THIS PARTICULAR DENSITY BONUS TO BYPASS A ZONING REQUIREMENT?
20 YOU KNOW, FOUR FEET SETBACK, TO ME, IS NOT A GREAT SETBACK.
21 YOU KNOW, I HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS ABOUT A FOUR FEET. MANY
22 PLACES IN MY DISTRICT, THEY DO HAVE FOUR FEET, NOT BECAUSE THE
23 LAW PROVIDES IT, BECAUSE THEY PUT IT THERE. SO ALL I'M SAYING
24 IS THAT WE CONTINUE TO HAVE SOME KIND OF REVIEW AND LOOK AT
25 THIS FROM AN EXPERIENCE STANDPOINT AS WE MOVE FORWARD. I'M



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1 PREPARED TO VOTE FOR IT. I RECOGNIZE IT'S SOMETHING WE HAVE TO
2 DO BY STATE LAW BUT I WANT TO TELL YOU, I DO THINK THAT WE'RE
3 OPENING UP A NUMBER OF AVENUES TO DEVELOPERS WHO WILL UTILIZE
4 THIS TO GET BY SOME OF THE ZONING REQUIREMENTS.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** MS. BURKE, I'M NOT SURE WHAT YOU'RE RECOMMENDING.
7 ARE YOUR SUGGESTING THAT WE NOT MOVE FORWARD?

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** I'M SUGGESTING A THAT WE VOTE FOR IT BUT THAT WE
10 HAVE REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS AND LOOK AT HOW WE CAN MEET SOME
11 OF THOSE...

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. I THINK THAT WOULD BE-- THERE'S NOT A
14 PROBLEM WITH THAT.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. THAT'S WHAT I SAID INITIALLY.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I...

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST-- CAN I MAKE A SUGGESTION TO SEE WHERE
23 IT GOES? THAT, ON THE ON MENU ITEMS, THAT WE JUST HAVE NO
24 APPEAL PERIOD? I THINK THE ON MENU IS CLEARER. REMOVE THE
25 APPEAL FOR THE DEVELOPER. THERE WOULD BE NO APPEAL FOR THE



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1 INTERESTED PARTY AND THEY BOTH HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPEAL ON THE
2 OFF MENU ITEMS.

3

4 **RICHARD WEISS:** SUPERVISOR, IF THE CHOICE FOR NO APPEALS FOR
5 EITHER OR APPEALS FOR BOTH, OUR RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE
6 APPEALS FOR BOTH.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY?

9

10 **RICHARD WEISS:** THE DENSITY BONUS LAW-- THE ON MENU LIST OF
11 INCENTIVES AND CONCESSIONS, IN MY MIND, IS INTENDED TO BE A
12 SAFE HARBOR. IT MAY NOT BE THE SAFEST HARBOR BUT IT'S INTENDED
13 TO BE A SAFE HARBOR LIST. THE DENSITY BONUS LAW TECHNICALLY
14 SAYS THAT THE APPLICANT HAS THE RIGHT TO PROPOSE WHATEVER
15 INCENTIVES AND CONCESSIONS THAT HE DEEMS ARE NECESSARY IN
16 ORDER TO MAKE HIS PROJECT WORKABLE AND THAT THE COUNTY IS
17 REQUIRED TO APPROVE THOSE. THE COUNTY IS REQUIRED TO APPROVE
18 THE CONCESSIONS OR INCENTIVES THAT THE APPLICANT RECOMMENDS
19 UNLESS THE COUNTY CAN MAKE A FINDING THAT EITHER THOSE ARE NOT
20 NECESSARILY OR THAT THEY WILL HAVE A SPECIFIC, QUANTIFIABLE,
21 DOCUMENTED ADVERSE IMPACT ON PUBLIC, HEALTH AND SAFETY, THE
22 ENVIRONMENT OR HISTORICAL RESOURCES. I BELIEVE THAT AN APPEAL
23 FOR THE DEVELOPER WOULD-- AND FURTHERMORE, IF THE DEVELOPER
24 DISAGREE WITH THE COUNTY AND SUES AND THE CITY LOSES, THE
25 DEVELOPER IS ENTITLED TO ATTORNEY'S FEES AS WELL AS OTHER



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1 THINGS. SO I THINK, AS SUPERVISOR BURKE I THINK INDICATED
2 EARLIER, THE APPEAL PROVIDES A BETTER ABILITY FOR THE COUNTY
3 TO CREATE A GOOD RECORD WITH GOOD FINDINGS TO DOCUMENT
4 WHATEVER DECISION IT MAKES, ASSUMING THAT IT DOESN'T GRANT
5 EXACTLY WHAT THE APPLICANT WANTS IN THE FIRST INSTANCE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. JUST-- IF THEY GO TO APPEAL TO
8 THE COMMISSION AND LOSE THE APPEAL THEN THEY CAN THEN FILE A
9 SUIT AND WE COULD PAY ATTORNEY'S FEES AND WE WILL HAVE
10 INCURRED ALL THE COSTS OF THE APPEAL, WHICH CAN BE
11 CONSIDERABLE AT THAT PLANNING COMMISSION. TAKES FOREVER TO GET
12 ANYTHING THROUGH THAT PLANNING COMMISSION.

13

14 **RICHARD WEISS:** THAT IS TRUE BUT THE APPEAL GIVES US ANOTHER
15 OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE MADE THE RIGHT DECISION AND
16 CREATE THE RIGHT FINDINGS.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** CAN I ASK A QUESTION ON THAT?

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME JUST ONE-- WHAT IS-- SO WHAT IS
21 YOUR AMENDMENT, THEN?

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT GOING TO MAKE AN AMENDMENT.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU'RE WITHDRAWING YOUR AMENDMENT?

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, NO, NO, NOT THE ONE I MADE EARLIER BUT
5 I'M NOT GOING TO MAKE ANY FURTHER AMENDMENT AT THIS TIME. IF
6 YOU WANT TO DO IT...

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO YOU'RE...

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE CAN ALWAYS AMEND IT. LET'S SEE HOW IT
11 WORKS IN PRACTICE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE SAYING LEAVE THE-- ALLOW THE
14 DEVELOPER TO APPEAL BUT NOT THE RESIDENTS?

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON THE ON MENU. I TELL YOU, IT MAKES-- IT
17 RUBS ME THE WRONG WAY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU CAN ALWAYS VOTE "NO".

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I-- WE CAN PERFECT THE
22 THING IF...

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHEN I WAS AT THE LEAGUE OF-- AND
25 SUPERVISOR KNABE WAS THERE THIS PAST WEEK OR TWO WEEKS AGO,



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1 INDEPENDENT CITIES, THERE'S A LOT OF CONCERN, EVEN BY THE
2 CITIES, THAT THE STATE MANDATING THIS PROVISION IS GOING TO
3 IMPACT THEIR CITIES AND THERE WAS CONCERN AND THERE WAS SOME
4 TALK ABOUT WORKING IN SACRAMENTO TO CHANGE THIS LEGISLATION.
5 BUT A NUMBER OF OUR CITIES FIND IT VERY DIFFICULT TO COMPLY
6 WITH SUCH A REGULATION JUST AS WE WILL FIND IT DIFFICULT TO
7 COMPLY AS WELL WHEN YOU REMOVE THE COMMUNITY AND YOU REMOVE
8 OUR GENERAL PLAN FROM THESE TYPES OF PROJECTS. I MEAN, THAT'S
9 WHAT THE GENERAL PLAN IS THERE FOR, PROTECTION. THAT'S WHY THE
10 COMMUNITY INPUT THERE IS IMPORTANT FOR PROTECTION AND NOW
11 YOU'RE HAVING THE STATE USURP THAT AUTHORITY. AND A NUMBER OF
12 THE CITIES HAD RAISED CONCERNS ABOUT, YOU KNOW, WORKING IN
13 SACRAMENTO TO CHANGE THAT LAW. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST-- YOU KNOW, MY ISSUE IS THE APPEALABILITY
16 OF BOTH THE NEIGHBORS AS WELL, YOU KNOW, AS THE DEVELOPER. I
17 MEAN, I CAN'T SUPPORT ONE WITHOUT THE OTHER. AND THE OTHER
18 QUESTION I HAVE IS, SUPERVISOR BURKE IS TALKING ABOUT A REPORT
19 BACK IN 60 DAYS, BUT YET MOVING FORWARD ON THIS ITEM, SO WHAT
20 DOES THAT MEAN?

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO GET SOME IDEA OF THE
23 IMPLICATIONS OF AN APPEAL TO RESIDENTS AND HAVE THEM TO REPORT
24 BACK AND TELL US EXACTLY WHAT THE IMPLICATIONS ARE AND WHETHER
25 THAT'S ADVISABLE. THE REASON...



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** SO THIS WOULD NOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL WE GOT THAT
3 REPORT BACK?

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5 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I THINK WE'RE UNDER STATE LAW THAT WE NEED
6 TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THAT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I MEAN, HE SAID THERE WAS NO TIME LINE, THE
9 COUNTY COUNSEL.

10

11 **RICHARD WEISS:** THERE IS NO TIME LINE BUT I THINK WE'D
12 RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD TAKE ACTION TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE IN
13 SHORT ORDER.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I GET BACK TO THIS APPEAL THING? YOU
16 KNOW WHAT BOTHERS ME ABOUT HAVING THEM BOTH APPEAL? IF THEY
17 CAN BOTH APPEAL ON AN ON MENU ITEM, THEN THERE'S REALLY NO
18 DISINCENTIVE FOR A DEVELOPER TO GO FOR THE OFF MENU APPROACH.
19 BECAUSE IF HE THINKS HE'S GOING TO GET AN APPEAL BY A NEIGHBOR
20 ON THE ON MENU, WHICH ARE RELATIVELY INCREMENTAL ISSUES, THEN
21 HE MAY AS WELL GO FOR THE 11 STORY BUILDING BECAUSE HE'S GOING
22 TO FACE THE SAME APPEAL AND THE SAME COST ANYWAY. I'M PREPARED
23 TO TAKE THE CHANCE OF HAVING THE STAFF, WORKING WITH THE
24 COUNTY COUNSEL, MAKE THE PROPER FINDINGS ON ANY DECISION THEY
25 MAKE ON AN ON MENU THING.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, I MEAN, YOUR POINT WAS MADE EARLIER, THOUGH,
3 ZEV, AND I AGREE WITH THAT. I MEAN, A THREE TO FOUR STORY IS
4 SIGNIFICANT IN A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I AGREE, BUT I THINK WE'RE BETTER OFF HAVING
7 NO APPEAL ON THE ON MENU ITEMS THAN HAVING IT TREATED THE SAME
8 WAY AS AN OFF MENU BECAUSE THEN WE'RE KIND OF ENCOURAGING
9 EVERYBODY TO GO INTO OFF MENU APPROACHES BECAUSE THEY CAN GET
10 MORE OUT OF IT FOR THE SAME AMOUNT OF EFFORT AND I THINK
11 THAT'S PART OF WHAT THE STAFF I THINK THE STAFF WAS TRYING TO
12 DO WHEN THEY DEVELOPED THIS AND SOME OF THE ADVOCATES WAS TRY
13 TO STEER THEM INTO THE ON MENU APPROACHES, AS EGREGIOUS AS
14 THEY MAY BE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, WHICH THEY CERTAINLY MAY
15 BE. THEY ARE NOT NEARLY AS EGREGIOUS AS THE UNLIMITED UNKNOWN.
16 AND, ANYWAY, I'LL TAKE A SHOT AT THIS. I'LL MOVE THAT WE
17 FURTHER AMEND THIS TO REMOVE-- ON THE ON MENU ITEMS, REMOVE
18 ANY RIGHT OF APPEAL BY THE DEVELOPER, SO THERE WOULD BE NO
19 RIGHT OF APPEAL, PERIOD, ON THE ON MENU ITEMS.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SECOND THAT ON THE APPEAL. IS
22 THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT? IF NOT, AND ANY OBJECTION ON THE
23 RELATIVE TO THE FIRST AMENDMENT? IF THERE'S NOT ANY OBJECTION,
24 THEN THAT WOULD BE PART OF THE MOTION.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW, THE MOTION IS BEFORE US. THE
4 ISSUE IS TO REFER IT BACK OR DO YOU GO FORWARD TODAY WITH AS
5 AMENDED? SO WHAT IS THE MOTION? WE HAVE A MOTION BY
6 YAROSLAVSKY TO MOVE AS AMENDED, SECONDED BY BURKE. CALL THE
7 ROLL.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** COMING BACK IN, WHAT, 60 DAYS?

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** A REPORT WOULD COME BACK BUT WE'D STILL IMPLEMENT
12 IT.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** AYE.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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3 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. SO ORDERED.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW, MR. CHAIRMAN, JUST ONE QUESTION, WHAT
10 IS THE PROCESS NOW? ARE YOU GOING TO MODIFY THE ORDINANCE AS
11 AMENDED IN THAT DOES IT HAVE TO COME BACK OR HAVE WE DONE
12 ENOUGH?

13

14 **RICHARD WEISS:** THE ORDINANCE IS IN DRAFT FORM. WE WILL TO MAKE
15 THE REVISIONS THAT YOUR BOARD APPROVED TODAY AND BRING IT BACK
16 FOR FINAL ADOPTION.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN IT BE BACK HERE NEXT WEEK?

19

20 **RICHARD WEISS:** I THINK IT COULD BE BACK IN TWO WEEKS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I THINK THE LAST TIME WE'RE GOING TO
23 HAVE ALL FIVE HERE FOR A COUPLE WEEKS IS ON THE 8TH, WHICH IS
24 TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY? OKAY.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. ON ITEM 10, THIS IS THE HEARING ON--
2 DE NOVO HEARING ON CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 04-023-5
3 AND OAK TREE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 2005- 00045-5 AND MITIGATED
4 NEGATIVE DECLARATION TO AUTHORIZE A RESIDENTIAL DRUG AND
5 ALCOHOL TREATMENT FACILITY, THE REMOVAL OF TWO OAK TREES AND
6 THE ENCROACHMENT INTO THE PROTECTED ZONE OF FIVE OAK TREES ON
7 PROPERTY LOCATED AT 36491 BOUQUET CANYON ROAD IN LEONA VALLEY,
8 BOUQUET CANYON ZONE DISTRICT APPLIED FOR BY NARCONON SOUTHERN
9 CALIFORNIA. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE EXISTS ON THIS MATTER.

10

11 **SAMUEL DEA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
12 MY NAME IS SAMUEL DEA. I AM A SUPERVISING REGIONAL PLANNER
13 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. TO MY LEFT IS JAMES
14 BELL, WHO IS THE CASE PLANNER FOR THIS PROJECT. ON MARCH 15,
15 2006, THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVED A CONDITIONAL
16 USE PERMIT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A
17 DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT FACILITY FOR 66 ADULTS IN RR-1,
18 RESORT RECREATION, ONE ACRE MINIMUM ZONE, AN OAK TREE PERMIT
19 TO ALLOW THE REMOVAL OF TWO TREES AND THE ENCROACHMENT WITHIN
20 THE PROTECTIVE ZONE OF FIVE TREES WAS ALSO APPROVED AS PART OF
21 THE ENTITLEMENT TO ACCOMMODATE THE DEVELOPMENT. THE SUBJECT
22 PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 36491 BOUQUET CANYON ROAD IN THE
23 BOUQUET CANYON ZONE DISTRICT. TO ADDRESS ISSUES RAISED AT THE
24 PUBLIC HEARING, THE COMMISSION IMPOSED ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS
25 REQUIRING THE APPLICANTS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SECURITY,



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1 CONDUCT REGULAR COMMUNITY MEETINGS WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS,
2 SHIELD LIGHTINGS FROM ADJACENT PROPERTIES AND PROHIBIT THE USE
3 OF A PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM. THE COMMISSION FINDS THE PROPOSED
4 USE WILL NOT BE IN CONFLICT WITH THE SURROUNDING USES. AND THE
5 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL WILL ENSURE THE PROJECT, AS PROPOSED,
6 WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT. AND
7 THIS CONCLUDES MY REPORT TO THE BOARD AND WE ARE AVAILABLE
8 FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE THE APPLICANT.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND THERE'S SOME UNRESOLVED ISSUES.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THERE ARE SOME UNRESOLVED ISSUES AND
15 WE'LL GET INTO THAT VERY SHORTLY. FIRST WE'LL HAVE THE
16 APPLICANT SPEAK. JUST GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

17

18 **CLARK CARR:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS CLARK CARR. I'M THE
19 PRESIDENT OF NARCONON INTERNATIONAL. MAYOR ANTONOVICH,
20 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK
21 WITH YOU TODAY. I HAVE BEEN-- I HAVE WORKED FOR NARCONON
22 INTERNATIONAL FOR 21 OF ITS 40 YEARS AND I'M VERY PROUD OF THE
23 WORK THAT THE ORGANIZATION IS DOING WORLDWIDE AND HERE IN
24 CALIFORNIA. WE'VE BEEN HONORED TO MEET WITH YOUR VARIOUS
25 PLANNING DEPUTIES AND WE THANK YOU FOR THE COURTESY THAT HAS



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1 BEEN SHOWN TO US. WE WERE PREPARED TODAY, OF COURSE, TO ENGAGE
2 IN A VIGOROUS DEBATE AND DISCUSSION OF THE ISSUES BUT WE
3 UNDERSTAND THAT ELEVENTH HOUR SPECIFIC ISSUES HAVE COME UP AND
4 THAT THERE IS A RECOMMENDATION TO REMAND THIS CASE BACK TO THE
5 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO CONSIDER SELECT ISSUES. WE
6 HAVE HERE SEVERAL HUNDRED FINE PEOPLE WHO HAVE COME TODAY TO
7 TESTIFY IN SUPPORT. I THANK THEM FOR THEIR TAKING TIME OFF
8 WORK TO COME IN HERE. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF, IN FACT, THIS IS
9 TO BE REMANDED BACK TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, THAT
10 THERE WOULD NOT BE TESTIMONY AND I WANT TO THANK THEM VERY
11 MUCH FOR COMING TODAY, AS WELL AS THOSE WHO WOULD BE SPEAKING
12 IN OPPOSITION, WHO WOULD NOT HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY. WHAT I WOULD
13 LIKE TO DO IS TO LET OUR-- MR. TIM RILEY, WHO IS OUR TRUSTED
14 AND EXPERIENCED LAND USE CONSULTANT, TO DISCUSS WITH YOU THOSE
15 SPECIFIC ISSUES THAT WE UNDERSTAND NEED TO BE ADDRESSED WITH
16 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. THANK YOU. MR. RILEY?

17

18 **TIM RILEY:** THANK YOU. MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND HONORABLE MEMBERS
19 OF BOARD, TIM RILEY, REPRESENTING THE APPLICANT. OF COURSE,
20 WE'LL FOREGO THE LITANY OF GOOD PLANNING REASONS TO ADOPT FOR
21 APPROVAL TODAY AND WE WOULD ASK THAT YOU LIMIT THE NUMBER OF
22 ISSUES THAT WE'RE GOING TO REMAND BACK TO THE PLANNING
23 COMMISSION AND, WITH YOUR HELP, HOPE FOR AN EXPEDITED HEARING
24 BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO MOVE FORWARD. WE'RE UNDERSTANDING
25 THESE ISSUES WOULD BE LOOKING AT TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT; FIRE,



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1 RESCUE AND SAFETY; AND THE CULVERT, THE BRIDGE THAT SPANS THE
2 CULVERT AND THE ISSUE OF WITHSTANDING ANY FLOODING POTENTIAL
3 BECAUSE OF THAT BRIDGE OVER THE CULVERT. THIS IS OUR
4 UNDERSTANDING OF THESE ISSUES AND, AGAIN, WITH YOUR
5 INDULGENCE, I'M SURE THAT WE CAN MOVE TO A QUICK HEARING
6 BEFORE THE COMMISSION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WE ALSO WANT TO STATE THAT THE
9 REPRESENTATIVES FROM LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL, MEMBERS OF THE
10 LEONA VALLEY COMMUNITY, WHO ARE ALSO HERE TODAY WHO WERE GOING
11 TO SPEAK ON THIS HAVE ALSO AGREED TO NOT TESTIFY AND HAVE THIS
12 GO BACK TO REGIONAL PLANNING TO HAVE THE HEARING AND DISCUSS
13 THOSE ISSUES THAT WERE TALKED ABOUT RELATIVE TO THE MITIGATION
14 OF THE FIRE ISSUE, THE ROAD, PUBLIC WORKS, THE FLOODPLAIN AND
15 THOSE OTHER ISSUES.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WILL THIS BE BROUGHT BACK NEXT MONTH? IN
18 AUGUST?

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT IS THE...

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22 **SAMUEL DEA:** DEPENDS ON THE NATURE OF THE REDESIGN. WE MAY HAVE
23 TO CONSULT OTHER AGENCIES NEXT MONTH AS A SCHEDULED PUBLIC
24 HEARING WITH THE COMMISSION WOULD BE DIFFICULT.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** WOULD BE DIFFICULT?

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3 **SAMUEL DEA:** DUE TO ADVERTISEMENTS DEADLINES AND ALSO
4 CONSULTATION DEADLINES, DUE TO SOME OF THESE NATURE-- THE
5 NATURE OF THESE REDESIGNS, IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO MEET A
6 PUBLIC HEARING...

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** REDESIGN?

9

10 **SAMUEL DEA:** I BELIEVE SOME OF THESE IMPROVEMENTS MAY REQUIRE
11 ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM OUR COUNTY ENGINEER AND ALSO THE
12 COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE COULD SCHEDULE A DISCUSSION ITEM
13 WITH THE COMMISSION BRINGING UP THESE ISSUES WITHOUT HAVING TO
14 ADVERTISE A HEARING.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SO I'LL MAKE THE MOTION.
17 SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, I WANT TO THANK BOTH
18 PARTIES FOR COMING TODAY AND WE'LL ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES IN
19 MITIGATION.

20

21 **TIM RILEY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. ITEM 11. THIS IS THE COMBINED HEARING
24 ZONE CHANGE CASE NUMBER 04-137-5 FROM A-2-2 TO M-1-DP AND
25 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 04-137-5 TO AUTHORIZE THE



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1 CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A CONSTRUCTION
2 EQUIPMENT STORAGE FACILITY AND TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE
3 REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ZONE RELATING TO
4 PROPERTY LOCATED AT 32170 NORTH CASTAIC ROAD, CASTAIC CANYON
5 ZONE DISTRICT PETITION THE JOE PERRY.

6

7 **SAMUEL DEA:** GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. MY NAME IS SAMUEL DEA. I AM
8 AN ACTING SUPERVISING REGIONAL PLANNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
9 REGIONAL PLANNING. THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, ON APRIL
10 13TH, 2005, CONDUCTED A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ZONE
11 CHANGE REQUEST TO REDESIGNATE A 1.57-ACRE PROPERTY LOCATED AT
12 32170 NORTH CASTAIC ROAD IN THE CASTAIC CANYON ZONE DISTRICT
13 FROM A-22, HEAVY AGRICULTURE, TWO ACRES MINIMUM, TO M-1-DP,
14 LIGHT MANUFACTURING, DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. A CONDITIONAL USE
15 PERMIT WAS ALSO PART OF THIS REQUEST TO IMPLEMENT THE PROPOSED
16 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ZONE TO ALLOW THE OPERATION AND
17 CONSTRUCTION OF AN EQUIPMENT STORAGE YARD ON THE SUBJECT
18 PROPERTY. THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION DETERMINED THE
19 PROPOSED M-1 ZONING DESIGNATION IS SUITABLE FOR THE SUBJECT
20 PROJECT AND IS CONSISTENT WITH THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AREA
21 PLAN. THE COMMISSION FINDS THE PROPOSED USE IS COMPATIBLE WITH
22 THE SURROUNDING USE AND WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON
23 THE ENVIRONMENT. ON AUGUST 31ST, 2005, THE COMMISSION
24 RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ADOPT THE ZONE CHANGE AND APPROVE



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1 THE COMPANY CUP AND THIS CONCLUDES MY REPORT TO THE BOARD AND
2 I AM AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE JUST HAVE ONE PERSON SIGNED UP IN
5 SUPPORT OF IT, MR. BOLDEN. IS THERE ANYBODY OPPOSED TO THIS
6 ITEM? IF NOT, I'LL MOVE THE ITEM, SECONDED BY BURKE, WITHOUT
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I BELIEVE WE NEED TO GO BACK TO ITEM NUMBER
10 1, WHICH WAS BEING RECONSIDERED.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ITEM 1.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** ...INFORMATION ON THIS TO GET IT CLARIFIED.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, PUBLIC WORKS MIGHT BE
17 HERE, I ASKED SOME QUESTIONS BECAUSE DON HAD RAISED THAT OTHER
18 CITIES ARE NOT DOING IT, SO WHY SHOULD WE DO IT? I WOULD
19 AGREE. BUT I HAVE SINCE BEEN INFORMED, AND PUBLIC WORKS SHOULD
20 COME UP, THAT PUBLIC WORKS IS BASICALLY-- THE OTHER CITIES ARE
21 WAITING FOR PUBLIC WORKS OR THE COUNTY TO TAKE A LEAD AND THAT
22 MANY OF THE CITIES ARE PREPARED TO FOLLOW, SO I'M PREPARED TO
23 SUPPORT IT.

24



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** NOW, MY ONLY CONCERN IS THAT I KNOW THAT SOME OF
2 THE FACILITIES THAT WILL BE AFFECTED HERE ARE-- THERE'S A LOT
3 OF DISCUSSION IN TERMS OF ANNEXATION. I WOULDN'T WANT THIS TO
4 BECOME AN ANNEXATION ISSUE BY SOME OF THOSE FACILITIES. SO
5 THAT, IF OTHER CITIES ARE MOVING FORWARD AND WE CAN-- CAN WE
6 PUT OFF THE IMPLEMENTATION OR SOMETHING SO THAT ALL OF THE
7 CITIES SURROUNDING SOME OF OUR AREAS COULD MOVE FORWARD AND
8 HAVE THE SAME IMPLEMENTATION?

9

10 **DONALD WOLFE:** SUPERVISOR, THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE INSPECTIONS
11 HAS BEEN ONGOING SINCE THE PERMIT WAS ISSUED, THE STORM WATER
12 PERMIT WAS ISSUED BACK IN 2001. LIKE THE OTHER-- AND THE
13 COUNTY AND ALL THE CITIES HAVE MADE THE FIRST ROUND OF
14 INSPECTIONS AND WE UTILIZED FUNDING THAT-- PRIMARILY UTILIZED
15 FUNDING FOR THE FIRST ROUND THAT WAS CARRYOVER FUNDING FROM
16 OUR INDUSTRIAL WASTE PROGRAM. BASICALLY, FEES THE BUSINESSES
17 HAVE ALREADY PAID TO US. THAT FUNDING IS TAPPED OUT. THE
18 VARIOUS CITIES USE DIFFERENT FUNDING SOURCES. FOR EXAMPLE, THE
19 CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS A STORM WATER FEE THAT THEY PUT IN
20 PLACE PRIOR TO PROP 218 THAT THEY USE TO FUND THEIR STORM
21 WATER EFFORTS. SO THEY HAVE A TAX ALREADY IN PLACE ON
22 PROPERTIES THAT YOU'RE USING TO OFFSET THIS COST. MOST OF THE
23 SMALLER CITIES HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR US TO COMPLETE OUR
24 ORDINANCE IN THE PROCESS IN ORDER FOR THEM TO PIGGYBACK TO
25 WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE. SOME OF THE CITIES GOT TIRED OF



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1 WAITING FOR US. FOR EXAMPLE, PARAMOUNT, LA PUENTE AND LA VERNE
2 WENT AHEAD AND USED ONE OF OUR PREVIOUS DRAFTS AND OTHER
3 CITIES LIKE LAKEWOOD ARE WAITING FOR US TO FINISH HERE SO THEY
4 CAN ADOPT THE SAME TYPE OF ORDINANCE. BUT THE BOTTOM LINE IS,
5 WE'RE REQUIRED BY LAW TO MAKE THESE INSPECTIONS AND THE SOURCE
6 OF FUNDING THAT WE'D LIKE TO USE IS BASICALLY THE BUSINESSES
7 THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE INSPECTED PAY FOR THAT.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** HOW DO THEY DO IT IN CARSON? DO THEY HAVE A
10 MECHANISM WHERE PEOPLE ARE PAYING?

11

12 **DONALD WOLFE:** THE CITY OF CARSON, I'M NOT AWARE THAT THEY GOT
13 A SPECIAL TAX. A LOT OF THE SMALLER CITIES HAVE BEEN USING
14 GENERAL FUND MONEYS, SUPERVISOR, WAITING FOR KIND OF THE BALL
15 TO DROP ON HOW WE'RE GOING TO DO THE LONG-TERM FUNDING ISSUE.
16 THE-- SOME OF THE CITIES RAISED-- DID UNIQUE THINGS LIKE RAISE
17 THEIR BUSINESS LICENSE TAX TO PAY FOR IT, ET CETERA. ABOUT TWO
18 YEARS AGO, WHEN WE FIRST WAS GOING TO BRING THIS TO THE BOARD,
19 THERE WAS A BIG BACKLASH FROM THE REGULATING COMMUNITY TO THE
20 BUSINESSES THAT WE WERE GOING TO IMPOSE THIS FEE ON. WE'VE
21 WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH THEM IN THE LAST TWO YEARS AND YOU
22 WILL NOTICE THERE IS NOBODY HERE FROM THE BUSINESS-- THE
23 INDUSTRY TO PROTEST AND THAT IS BECAUSE WE'VE RESOLVED ALL OF
24 THEIR CONCERNS. THEY UNDERSTAND THAT THIS A REQUIREMENT THAT
25 WE ARE IMPOSED WITH. WE MADE A VERY-- A STRONG EFFORT TO



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1 REDUCE THE OVERALL COSTS. OUR PROCESS THAT WE'RE USING IS VERY
2 EFFICIENT. FOR EXAMPLE, RESTAURANT FEES HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY
3 ABOUT 50% BECAUSE THE HEALTH SERVICES ARE GOING TO DO COMBINED
4 INSPECTIONS WITH THE INSPECTIONS THEY NORMALLY DO. SO, AS A
5 RESULT, WE RESOLVED THE ISSUES WITH THE REGULATED COMMUNITY
6 AND THERE IS NO ISSUES WITH THE FOLKS THAT WE ARE HAVING TO
7 MAKE THESE INSPECTIONS ON AT THIS TIME.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** AS AN EXAMPLE, THOUGH, THE RESTAURANT COMMUNITY
10 GETS HIT ON ONE AND EIGHT.

11

12 **DONALD WOLFE:** SUPERVISOR, WE'RE REQUIRED TO DO TWO THINGS.
13 NUMBER ONE, WE'RE SUPPOSED TO GO OUT AND BASICALLY ASSESS ALL
14 THESE BUSINESSES AND DETERMINE WHETHER-- WHAT LEVEL THEY NEED
15 TO BE INSPECTED AND KEEP THOSE RECORDS AND REPORT THAT TO THE
16 BOARD. THAT'S THAT 40-DOLLAR FIRST FEE THAT EVERYBODY GETS HIT
17 WITH BECAUSE OF THE COST OF DEVELOPING THE COMPUTER PROGRAM,
18 THE REPORTS TO THE REGIONAL BOARD. THE INSPECTION PART OF IT,
19 WHICH IS-- AND THAT'S A ONE-TIME ONLY FEE, FOR US TO GET THAT
20 DATABASE DEVELOPED. AND THEN, AFTER THAT, THE OTHERS ARE AN
21 ANNUAL FEE TO OFFSET THE COST OF DOING THE INSPECTIONS THAT
22 THE REGIONAL BOARD REQUIRES US TO DO. SO THE RESTAURANT FEE
23 WAS REDUCED BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT WE GOT THE EFFICIENCY OF
24 HAVING HEALTH SERVICES DO THE INSPECTIONS FOR US.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, AREN'T THEY BASICALLY, I MEAN, THE SAME
2 PEOPLE ARE GOING TO DO 8 THAT ARE DOING 1? ITEM 8? ITEM 8 AND
3 1? I MEAN, IT WOULD BE THE SAME INSPECTORS, CORRECT? UNDER
4 ITEM ONE, YOU'RE ASKING FOR MONEY FOR AN INSPECTION FEE. IS
5 THAT CORRECT?

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7 **DONALD WOLFE:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** UNDER ITEM 8, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IS
10 ASKING FOR AN INSPECTION FEE.

11

12 **DONALD WOLFE:** WE ARE COLLECTING THE FEES UNDER ITEM ONE AND
13 THEN WE'LL BE GIVING THAT MONEYS TO HEALTH SERVICES. SO IT
14 WOULDN'T BE A SEPARATE FEE THAT THEY'RE ASKING FOR.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY ARE ASKING FOR A SEPARATE FEE UNDER ITEM 8.

17

18 **DONALD WOLFE:** OH, I'M SORRY. I WAS LOOKING AT MY LIST OF
19 THINGS HERE, SUPERVISOR, AND THE FEE THAT THE HEALTH SERVICES
20 IS ASKING FOR UNDER ITEM 8 IS NOT RELATED TO THE INSPECTIONS
21 WE'RE DOING.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT ISN'T IT THE SAME INSPECTOR?

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1 **DONALD WOLFE:** AND THAT'S WHY WE HAVE THE EFFICIENCY,
2 SUPERVISOR, OF BEING ABLE TO REDUCE THE COSTS TO THE
3 RESTAURANTS AND THE RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION FOLKS THAT WE'VE
4 BEEN WORKING WITH FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS ARE SATISFIED THAT
5 WHAT WE'RE DOING IS AS FAIR AS WE CAN POSSIBLY MAKE IT TO THEM
6 WITH RESPECT TO COST. IT'S THE SAME INSPECTOR, WHICH REDUCES
7 THE COST BUT IT ALLOWS-- IT REDUCES TIME BECAUSE YOU DON'T
8 HAVE THE TRAVEL BETWEEN SITES AND YOU'RE DOING MULTIPLE
9 INSPECTIONS AT THE SAME TIME. BUT THE LENGTH OF TIME TO DO IT
10 AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE BIGGEST COST OF DOING THESE
11 INSPECTIONS IS THE REPORTS THAT HAVE TO BE PREPARED FOR THE
12 REGIONAL BOARD THAT WE HAVE TO TURN IN. THAT'S A SIGNIFICANT
13 AMOUNT OF TIME THAT HAS TO BE SPENT BY THE INSPECTORS AND THE
14 CLERICAL STAFF IN DOING THIS PROCESS.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT WILL BE THE FEE FOR MOST INDUSTRIAL
17 PROPERTIES?

18

19 **DONALD WOLFE:** THE FEE FOR MOST INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES IS \$179
20 PER YEAR. RESTAURANTS ARE \$97 PER YEAR, AND THE MAJORITY OF
21 THE BUSINESSES WE WILL BE INSPECTING WILL BE RESTAURANTS.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** IT WON'T BE BASED ON THE SIZE OR...

24



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1 **DONALD WOLFE:** NO, THE LENGTH OF TIME TO DO THE INSPECTION AND
2 FILL OUT ALL THE FORMS THAT ARE REQUIRED BY THE REGIONAL BOARD
3 IS PRETTY UNIFORM DESPITE THE SIZE OF THE BUSINESS.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. \$179? IS THAT THE FEE?

6

7 **DONALD WOLFE:** THAT'S THE ANNUAL FEE FOR MOST FACILITIES, WHICH
8 WAS THE QUESTIONS THAT SHE ASKED. RESTAURANTS ARE \$97 AND
9 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK OR TANKS ARE \$147.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD MOVE APPROVAL.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA:** SECOND.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CALL THE ROLL.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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23 **SUP. BURKE:** (OFF-MIKE) .

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. MOTION-- SO ORDERED. OKAY. ITEM 32.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE MOTION IS APPROVED, RIGHT? IT WAS NOT A
13 4-VOTE, IT WAS A 3-VOTE? OKAY.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HELD THAT ITEM. ITEM 32 IS A CONTRACT. IS THAT
18 THE RIGHT ITEM? FOR HOUSING LOCATORS AND WHAT I'VE DONE IS I
19 HAVE A MOTION THAT I'D LIKE TO PASS UP AS AN AMENDMENT TO
20 THIS. ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS IN RECENT PAST, THE BOARD HAS
21 RECOGNIZED THAT HOMELESS FAMILIES ARE AMONGST LOS ANGELES'
22 COUNTY'S MOST VULNERABLE CITIZENS. AT THE DIRECTION OF THE
23 BOARD, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AND VARIOUS
24 OTHER DEPARTMENTS HAVE INITIATED A WIDE ARRAY OF SUPPORT
25 SERVICES FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES. EVEN WITH THESE ENHANCED



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1 SERVICES, IT REMAINS DIFFICULT FOR MANY HOMELESS FAMILIES TO
2 LOCATE STABLE PERMANENT HOUSING. TODAY, THE DEPARTMENT OF
3 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES HAS SUBMITTED FOR OUR APPROVAL TWO
4 HOUSING LOCATOR CONTRACTS TO ASSIST HOMELESS, CALWORKS,
5 WELFARE-TO-WORK FAMILIES IN LOCATING, OBTAINING AND
6 MAINTAINING AFFORDABLE PERMANENT HOUSING. WHEN WE UNDERTAKE
7 MAJOR ENHANCEMENTS TO OUR SERVICE DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR HOMELESS
8 FAMILIES, IT IS CRITICAL THAT THERE BE A THOROUGH EVALUATION
9 OF THE NEW PROGRAM IN ORDER TO DETERMINE PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS
10 AND GAIN INSIGHTS TO WHICH WE CAN FORM THE BASIS FOR FUTURE
11 PROGRAMMATIC ENHANCEMENTS. ADDITIONALLY, THE BOARD HAS ADOPTED
12 A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES IN SKID ROW. TO
13 ADHERE TO SUCH POLICY, D.P.S.S. AND ITS CONTRACTORS SHOULD
14 ENSURE THAT NO EMERGENCY, TRANSITIONAL OR PERMANENT HOUSING
15 SHOULD BE LOCATED IN ZIP CODES 90013 AND 90014, BASICALLY SKID
16 ROW. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT
17 THE DIRECTOR OF D.P.S.S. TO WORK WITH THE C.A.O., S.I.B.,
18 SERVICES INTEGRATED BRANCH, TO CONDUCT A FULL EVALUATION OF
19 THESE CALWORKS HOUSING LOCATOR SERVICES AS PART OF THEIR
20 ONGOING M.O.U. WITH D.P.S.S. AND THE C.A.O. FOR EVALUATION OF
21 THE CALWORKS PROGRAM AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITH THE
22 RESULTS OF THIS EVALUATION WITH ONE YEAR OF IMPLEMENTATION AND
23 SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS ON PLACEMENTS OF THE FAMILIES.
24 SECONDLY, THAT WE INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT, THE DIRECTOR OF
25 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES TO INCORPORATE INTO THE CONTRACTOR'S



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1 INSTRUCTIONS THAT HOUSING FOR FAMILIES SHOULD BE SITED OUTSIDE
2 OF THE SKID ROW AREA WHICH INCLUDES ZIP CODES 90013 AND 90014.
3 NOW, WE ARE PAYING OVER \$4 MILLION TO ONE OF THESE CONTRACTORS
4 FOR THESE LOCATION SERVICES AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE
5 DONE IS BASICALLY WE KNOW FULL WELL THAT, IF WE'RE GOING TO
6 GET THESE FAMILIES BACK ON TRACK AND PROVIDE THEM THE KIND OF
7 ASSISTANCE THEY NEED, SKID ROW IS CERTAINLY NOT ONE OF THOSE
8 LOCATIONS. AND I THINK IT WOULD BE AN EASY MARK FOR THEM TO BE
9 MAKING TWO GRAND FOR A PLACEMENT BACK INTO SKID ROW, WHICH
10 ISN'T REALLY THE KIND OF STABLE HOUSING THAT WE SHOULD OFFER A
11 FAMILY. SO, WHILE WE'RE TRYING TO PUT TOGETHER ALL THE
12 SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR CALWORKS, WHETHER IT BE THE ASSISTANCE
13 OF JOBS, THE ASSISTANCE FOR TRANSPORTATION, THE ASSISTANCE FOR
14 CHILD CARE AND ALL OF THOSE KINDS OF THINGS, I THINK THAT WE
15 NEED TO RECOGNIZE AND UNDERSTAND OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO
16 STABILITY FOR THESE FAMILIES. AND SO HOPEFULLY WITHIN THIS, BY
17 EVALUATING HOW THEY'RE DOING AND WHAT KIND OF PLACEMENT
18 THEY'RE GETTING AND SECONDLY BY KEEPING FAMILIES OUT OF SKID
19 ROW, I THINK WE'RE FURTHERING THE WHOLE ISSUE OF CREATING
20 STABILIZATION FOR MANY OF THESE HOMELESS FAMILIES. SO THAT IS
21 MY MOTION.

22
23 **SUP. BURKE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I UNFORTUNATELY HAVE NOT SEEN A MAP
24 SHOWING WHERE ZIP CODE 13 AND 14 ARE LOCATED.



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE ONE.

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3 **SUP. BURKE:** I KNOW THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE, 90013
4 AND 90014, I KNOW THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PROJECTS-- WELL, SEE,
5 YOU KNOW, I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A CHANCE TO LOOK AT IT A LITTLE
6 MORE, BUT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PROJECTS THAT ARE BEING
7 PROPOSED. THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVE GONE OUT AND PURCHASED
8 PROPERTY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HOUSING, SO WHAT WE'RE
9 SAYING THAT THESE PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING HOUSING LOCATORS WOULD
10 NOT BE ABLE TO PLACE PEOPLE IN ANY OF THESE NEWLY DEVELOPED
11 HOUSING PROJECTS OR HOUSING FACILITIES IF THEY COME WITHIN
12 THESE ZIP CODES. NOW, I AM MORE THAN WILLING TO RESPECT
13 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DESIRE THAT THERE BE NO LOCATION OF
14 FAMILIES FROM SKID ROW INTO HER FIRST DISTRICT OR THAT NONE OF
15 THEM ARE PLACED IN HER FIRST DISTRICT. I AM NOT PREPARED, AT
16 THIS MOMENT, TO SIT HERE AND LOOK AT THE ZIP CODES AND SAY HOW
17 IT WOULD APPLY IN TERMS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT. I KNOW THAT
18 THERE ARE AT LEAST TWO MAJOR PROJECTS THAT ARE BEING PROPOSED
19 FOR HOUSING FOR PEOPLE AND FAMILIES WHO WOULD BE MOVING FROM
20 SKID ROW. WHETHER THEY'RE IN THOSE ZIP CODES, I DO NOT KNOW, I
21 HAVE NOT HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT IT BUT I'D BE MORE THAN
22 WILLING TO AGREE AND I WOULD AMEND THAT NO ONE IN SKID ROW IN
23 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S FIRST DISTRICT SHOULD BE PROVIDED ANY OF
24 THESE SERVICES. BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT I SHOULD HAVE THE
25 ABILITY TO WORK WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE BUILDING FACILITIES-- WE



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1 JUST ALLOCATED \$900,000 TO WEINGART. WEINGART IS PREPARED TO
2 PROVIDE A NUMBER OF SERVICES. THEY HAVE ACQUIRED PROPERTY TO
3 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HOUSING THAT THAT AGENCY WILL BE SERVING,
4 SO I WOULD BE MORE THAN WILLING TO AGREE THAT, AS FAR AS THE
5 FIRST DISTRICT, ANYTHING THAT'S IN THESE ZIP CODES IN THE
6 FIRST DISTRICT, THAT THOSE SERVICES NOT BE PROVIDED TO THEM.
7 BUT I DO THINK THAT I HAVE SHOULD HAVE A RIGHT, IN THE SECOND
8 DISTRICT WHERE THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO INVEST
9 MONEY AND TO RELOCATE PEOPLE AND PROVIDE GOOD HOUSING FOR
10 THOSE FAMILIES, THAT WE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO DO IT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU HAVE THE SAME ZIP CODE?

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14 **SUP. BURKE:** YES. 13 AND 14 IS ALSO IN THE SECOND DISTRICT.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET ME EXPLAIN ONE PART OF IT AND MAYBE D.P.S.S.
17 CAN COME UP. WE'RE PAYING \$4 MILLION. WE'VE GIVEN TWO
18 CONTRACTS OUT. FOR PEOPLE TO GO OUT-- WE'RE PAYING THEM TWO
19 GRAND TO FIND AN APARTMENT FOR A HOMELESS FAMILY. THIS IS A
20 SERVICE. THAT'S A PRETTY GOOD DEAL FOR SOMEBODY WHO'S DOING
21 THIS WEEK. IT'S A LOT OF MONEY THAT WE'RE PAYING FOR. IT
22 DOESN'T HESITATE THAT, IF SOMEBODY DECIDES TO APPLY TO THIS
23 HOMELESS PROJECT THAT MS. BURKE SAYS IS BEING DEVELOPED IN HER
24 DISTRICT, THAT THEY COULD GO AND SIT THERE BUT WE SHOULDN'T
25 PAY. D.P.S.S. SHOULDN'T BE PAYING \$2,000. EVEN WEINGART. IF IT



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1 PUTS A PLACEMENT IN ITS OWN APARTMENT, IN ITS OWN BUILDING,
2 WHY SHOULD WE PAY THEM \$2,000 FOR TO PLACE IN THEIR OWN
3 PROPERTY? WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IN THIS LOCATOR PROGRAM IS
4 TO TAKE MANY OF THESE FAMILIES, IT REALLY IS DIFFICULT TO FIND
5 AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR MANY OF THESE FAMILIES, SO,
6 CONSEQUENTLY, THESE LOCATORS ARE SUPPOSED TO GO OUT THERE AND
7 FIND SOMETHING OUTSIDE. WE'RE JUST SAYING DON'T, YOU KNOW,
8 WE'RE PAYING THEM MONEY TO STABILIZE THESE FAMILIES AND THE
9 REASON THAT D.P.S.S. CAN'T DO IT IS THAT THEY'RE NOT IN THE
10 BUSINESS OF DOING IT AND YOU KNOW HOW HARD THAT IS. SO WHAT
11 WE'RE SAYING, THERE'S NOTHING WRONG IF A FAMILY WANTS TO GO
12 AND LIVE BACK INTO SKID ROW, EVEN THOUGH IT'S A NICE
13 TRANSITIONAL FACILITY AND THERE ARE SOME, THEY CAN DO SO. WE
14 JUST SHOULDN'T PAY THE LOCATORS TWO GRAND TO GO BACK INTO SKID
15 ROW.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, IF YOU DON'T WANT THE CONTRACTS AT ALL, I
18 COULD UNDERSTAND THAT. IF YOU SAY WE DON'T WANT TO HIRE ANY
19 LOCATORS. BUT, IF YOU'RE SAYING THAT AND IF YOU'RE CONCERNED
20 ABOUT ANY OF THESE FAMILIES-- YOU SEE, I GATHER, IS THIS THE
21 FIRST DISTRICT RIGHT HERE? THIS MAP YOU GAVE ME, IS THAT--
22 THIS THE FIRST DISTRICT, THE 13 AND THIS IS 14 OVER HERE, THIS
23 IS 13. I'M MORE THAN WILLING TO RESPECT YOUR VIEW THAT NO
24 HOMELESS LOCATOR SERVICES BE PROVIDED TO ANYONE IN THE FIRST
25 DISTRICT IN THOSE ZIP CODES, AND I WOULD SO MOVE.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** SERVICES WOULD GO TO EVERYBODY.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** COULD BRYCE COME UP? IS BRYCE AROUND?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BRYCE?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I GUESS MY FIRST QUESTION IS, WILL ANY OF THE
9 CURRENT SERVICES TO FAMILIES IN SKID ROW BE COMPROMISED BY
10 THIS MOTION AT ALL?

11

12 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** SUPERVISOR, NO. THIS CURRENT CONTRACT THAT IS
13 BEFORE YOUR BOARD TODAY IS FOR WELFARE-TO-WORK SERVICES ONLY.
14 THERE ARE INDEED MANY, MANY SERVICES, AS YOUR BOARD IS AWARE,
15 THROUGHOUT SKID ROW AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
16 BUT THESE WOULD NOT BE COMPROMISING BY GOING INTO OTHER...

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION, THAT WOULDN'T HAVE ANY
19 IMPACT ON THE CURRENT SERVICES, THEN?

20

21 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** NO. ALTHOUGH SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S AMENDMENT
22 WOULD DESIGNATE SPECIFIC AREAS WHERE THE CONTRACTOR COULD NOT
23 PLACE HOMELESS FAMILIES.

24



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING, DON'T PLACE THEM, IF
2 SHE DOESN'T WANT THEM IN HER DISTRICT, DON'T PLACE THEM IN HER
3 DISTRICT. BUT I'M SAYING THE PEOPLE IN MY DISTRICT SHOULD HAVE
4 A RIGHT TO HAVE NEW FACILITIES.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, NO, THAT'S-- MS. BURKE, THAT'S NOT TRUE.
7 WAIT, WAIT, WAIT. THAT'S NOT TRUE. MS. BURKE, THAT IS NOT
8 TRUE. I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE HOMELESS FAMILIES IN MY DISTRICT.
9 PLEASE DON'T SAY THAT, OKAY?

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT, WELL, THEN (CROSS TALK) THE SECOND
12 DISTRICT?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** JUST A SECOND. DON'T SAY THAT. MY INTEREST IS NOT
15 PAYING A CONTRACTOR \$2,000 TO LOCATE AND STABILIZE A FAMILY IN
16 THE SKID ROW AREA THAT, AS I WENT TO D.P.S.S. AS TO HOW TO
17 DEFINE IT, THEY SAID WITHIN THESE ZIP CODES, SO THAT IS THE
18 ADVICE THAT I'VE TAKEN. THEY CAN GO AHEAD AND THEY CAN BE
19 PLACED THERE, IT DOESN'T HURT THEM AT ALL, RIGHT, TO GO INTO
20 THOSE-- INTO SKID ROW AT ALL. I'M JUST SAYING WHY ARE WE, AS A
21 CONTRACTOR, PAYING THEM \$2,000 TO RELOCATE BACK INTO AN AREA
22 THAT IS NOT GOING TO CREATE THE BEST STABILIZATION?

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, AND WHAT I'M SAYING IS THAT I KNOW OF AT
25 LEAST TWO MAJOR PROJECTS THAT ARE BEING BUILT, PROBABLY NOT IN



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1 THE FIRST DISTRICT BUT IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, THAT THESE
2 LOCATORS, IF THEY PLACE THEM IN THESE NEW PROJECTS THAT WILL
3 HAVE SERVICES, AS WELL AS A GOOD PLACE TO LIVE, THAT I THINK
4 THEY SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO PLACE THEM IN THOSE NEW PROJECTS.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** THE LOCATORS SHOULD BE ALLOWED? AND WE SHOULD PAY
7 FOR IT?

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** THE LOCATORS SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO PUT THEM THERE.
10 THESE ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE-- WEINGART IS GETTING READY TO BUILD
11 A NEW FACILITY.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, I MEAN, THAT'S ALREADY OPEN. I MEAN, THAT'S
14 WHAT I...

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** NO, A NEW FACILITY.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT WEINGART IS ONE OF THE CONTRACTORS, MS.
19 BURKE.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** YEAH, AND THEY ARE GETTING READY TO OPEN A NEW
22 FACILITY AND BUILD A NEW FACILITY.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT SHOULD WE PAY THEM TO LOCATE IT IN THEIR OWN
25 FACILITY?



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1

2 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, IF YOU DON'T WANT TO ANYONE TO LOCATE
3 ANYBODY...

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** MS. BURKE, I'M NOT SAYING THAT.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** OR LOCATE THEM IN THEIR FACILITY, THAT'S FINE.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M NOT SAYING THAT. I'M JUST SAYING, MS.

10 BURKE...

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT ALL I'M SAYING IS THAT I BELIEVE THAT, IF
13 YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE HOUSING LOCATORS AND YOU PAY THEM, YOU
14 SHOULDN'T PROHIBIT THEM FROM LOCATING HOUSING IN CERTAIN AREAS
15 BY ZIP CODES. NOW, IF SUPERVISOR MOLINA WANTS TO PROHIBIT THEM
16 FROM LOCATING ANYONE IN A CERTAIN ZIP CODE, IT'S OKAY, BUT I'M
17 SAYING THAT, AS IT RELATES TO THE SECOND DISTRICT, I SHOULD BE
18 ABLE TO HAVE THOSE SERVICES AND HAVE THEM LOCATE PEOPLE, TAKE
19 THEM OFF THE STREETS. THE CHOICE YOU'RE SAYING IS, UNLESS YOU
20 CAN FIND A PLACE OUTSIDE OF ZIP CODE 13 AND 14, THEY HAVE TO
21 STAY ON THE STREET.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT IS NOT TRUE, MS. BURKE. THAT IS NOT TRUE.
24 YOU'RE MISINTERPRETING THIS. THIS IS THE SIMPLICITY...

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** I AM JUST INTERPRETING WHAT WAS SAID.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS IS THE SIMPLICITY OF IT. IT IS A CONTRACT.

4 ONE COMPANY IS GETTING \$4 MILLION, 4.1, I THINK, THE OTHER ONE

5 IS GETTING SOME \$700,000. THEIR RESPONSIBILITY IS TO TAKE

6 THESE CALWORKS FAMILIES. THEY COME FROM ROSITA, THEY COME FROM

7 TORRANCE, THEY COME FROM BALDWIN PARK AND IT IS A RESOURCE FOR

8 D.P.S.S. TO TURN IT OVER TO A HOUSING LOCATOR AND SAY, "PLEASE

9 FIND THEM AFFORDABLE, SUITABLE HOUSING." SO THEY WILL GO OUT

10 AND LOOK FOR THESE FACILITIES, ALL RIGHT? THAT IS THE RESOURCE

11 THAT THEY WILL GET BACK TO THE SOCIAL WORKER AND SAY, "HERE

12 ARE THESE..." WE WILL PAY THEM \$2,000 IN ORDER TO DO THAT. WE

13 WILL PAY \$700 TO THE LANDLORD, TO THE LANDLORD WHO KEEPS THAT

14 FAMILY THERE FOR OVER SIX MONTHS. THAT'S A COOPERATIVE

15 AGREEMENT THAT WE ARE DEVELOPING WITH IT. THIS IS...

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I THINK THAT'S GOOD.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. THEN WE WILL PAY ALSO \$700,

20 HOPEFULLY, TO THE FAMILY AS WELL AS AN INCENTIVE TO STAY

21 WITHIN THAT UNIT. WE ARE HOPING THAT, THROUGH THIS PROGRAM, IT

22 IS AN ADDITIONAL RESOURCE. LOCATING THEM IN SKID ROW IS JUST

23 NOT AND WE'VE CONCLUDED FOR A FAMILY. NOW FOR SINGLES, THAT'S

24 FINE, BUT THESE ARE CHILDREN. THERE AREN'T THE RESOURCES AND

25 THE AMENITIES THAT THEY NEED IN ORDER TO STABILIZE THEIR



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1 FAMILIES AND WE KNOW THAT BY VIRTUE OF SOME OF THE NEGLIGENT
2 SITUATIONS AND ABUSIVE SITUATIONS THAT ARE THERE. SO WHAT WE
3 ARE SAYING IS IT DOESN'T PROHIBIT A CALWORKS FAMILY FROM GOING
4 INTO SKID ROW, THEY CAN DO SO. THE PROBLEM IS THE COUNTY IS
5 NOT PAYING \$2,000 TO THE LOCATOR TO FILL UP AFFORDABLE HOUSING
6 UNITS THAT HOPEFULLY ARE GOING TO BE BUILT OUT THERE BUT IT'S
7 GOING TO GET THEM TO PUT THEM IN A BALDWIN PARK AREA WITH
8 PARKS AND SCHOOLS AND A NEIGHBORHOOD AREA, RESIDENTIAL AREA.
9 THOSE ARE THE KINDS OF SUITABLE FAMILY UNITS THAT WE'RE HOPING
10 THE LOCATORS WILL LOOK FOR. IT'S LIKE, YOU KNOW, WHAT DO THEY
11 CALL, SHOOTING FISH IN A BARREL. I MEAN, IF YOU PUT THEM ALL
12 BACK-- I MEAN, IF THEY'RE GOING TO DEVELOP 700 UNITS, THAT'S
13 AN EASY TWO GRAND TO BUILD OFF OF LOCATING BACK WHERE THEY
14 ARE. I WOULD RATHER-- AND MOST FAMILIES ARE NOT GOING TO WANT
15 TO GO THERE ANYWAY, THAT'S PROBABLY THE BOTTOM LINE. I JUST
16 DIDN'T WANT TO PAY THEM TWO GRAND TO GO BACK INTO SKID ROW.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK BRYCE. DO YOU HAVE A LIST
19 OF ALL THE ZIP CODES IN THE COUNTY THAT ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR
20 CHILDREN?

21

22 **BRYCE YOKOMIZO:** SUPERVISOR, I THINK IT COULD BE ARGUED THAT
23 THERE ARE MULTIPLE ZIP CODES THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY THAT COULD
24 BE ARGUABLY UNSUITABLE FOR FAMILIES. IF I CAN OFFER PERHAPS A
25 COMPROMISE POSITION TO BOTH SUPERVISORS BURKE AND MOLINA, THE



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1 AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA SPECIFIES SPECIFIC ZIP CODES TO
2 BE EXCLUDED. THAT WOULD BE 90013 AND 90014. I THINK SUPERVISOR
3 BURKE IS MAKING A POINT THAT PART OF THOSE ZIP CODES ARE IN
4 HER SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND WOULD NOT NECESSARILY BE A PART
5 OF SKID ROW. AND PERHAPS THE AMENDMENT COULD BE CHANGED TO
6 SPECIFY SPECIFICALLY SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S CONCERN ABOUT
7 EXCLUDING SKID ROW AS AN AREA WHERE THE CONTRACTORS WOULD BE
8 ABLE TO PLACE FAMILIES AND THAT WAY WOULD FREE UP AREAS OF ZIP
9 CODES IN SUPERVISOR BURKE'S AREA.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, THE ONLY PROBLEM IS THAT SKID ROW HAS-- IS
12 NOT A SMALL, DEFINED AREA. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE THE
13 FREEWAY, SANTA MONICA FREEWAY. SOME OF THOSE FACILITIES THAT
14 ARE BEING DISCUSSED FOR CONSTRUCTION ARE NINTH AND WALL. WE
15 KNOW WHAT THAT IS. PART OF THAT IS, LIKE, IN THE GARMENT
16 DISTRICT, ALMOST. SO WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU USE THIS FOR A SKID
17 ROW, YOU KNOW, IT GETS TO BE A QUESTION OF WHERE DOES SKID ROW
18 BEGIN AND WHERE DOES IT END? I THINK YOU COULD VERY WELL SAY
19 THAT ANY AREA WHERE IT WOULD BE UNSAFE. THAT THEY WOULD HAVE
20 DIRECTION NOT TO PLACE A FAMILY IN AN AREA THAT WOULD BE
21 UNSAFE AND WOULD BE DANGEROUS TO THEM, AND I WOULD AGREE TO
22 THAT BUT I'M JUST NOT PREPARED TO SAY THAT CERTAIN ZIP CODES
23 GOING UP TO-- AND I THINK-- I CAN'T GO BY THIS MAP. SEE, THIS
24 IS ALL NEW. IF THIS HAD BEEN GIVEN TO ME A FEW DAYS BEFORE, I
25 COULD LOOK AT THE ZIP CODE AND KNOW WHERE IT IS AND WHERE IT



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1 IS IN MY DISTRICT. I HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THE 14 IS IN THE
2 SECOND DISTRICT, RIGHT? AND 13 IS IN THE DIRECTED DISTRICT OR
3 IS IT?

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IS SKID ROW.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** AND ALSO SKID ROW BUT, YOU KNOW, THE NEXT THING
8 WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT, DON'T PUT ANY CHILD IN COMPTON
9 BECAUSE THEY HAVE SHOOTINGS. SO, YOU KNOW, I THINK YOU HAVE TO
10 LOOK AT WHAT IS DANGEROUS. AND THE PHRASE "SKID ROW" HAS WIDE
11 INTERPRETATIONS. THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE NOW WHO ARE INVOLVED IN
12 TERMS OF THE REHABILITATION OF NEW DWELLINGS AND NEW CONDOS
13 AND LOFTS. I KNOW THIS IS A VERY SENSITIVE THING FOR THEM.
14 THEY DON'T WANT ANY MORE, YOU KNOW, AND THEY'RE CLOSE TO SKID
15 ROW, SO IT'S A MATTER THAT I THINK WE NEED CRITERIA RATHER
16 THAN ZIP CODES.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THERE A WAY TO CONTINUE THE ITEM FOR A WEEK OR
19 SOMETHING LIKE THAT SO EVERYBODY CAN WORK THESE PIECES OUT? I
20 MEAN, I UNDERSTAND SUPERVISOR BURKE'S CONCERN BUT, ALSO, YOU
21 KNOW, IT'S SORT OF HARD TO UNDERSTAND PAYING SOMEONE THE
22 LOCATE THEMSELVES IN THEIR OWN FACILITY.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** IN A DANGEROUS PLACE.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** NOT A DANGEROUS PLACE BUT ALSO IN THEIR OWN
2 FACILITY. IT'S NOT SO MUCH A DANGEROUS PLACE AS YOU'RE ALSO
3 PAYING SOMEONE TO LOCATE IN THEIR OWN FACILITY.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I WOULD SAY THEY WOULD NOT BE PAID TO LOCATE
6 SOMEONE IN THEIR OWN FACILITY. I'M MORE THAN AGREEABLE TO
7 THAT. WE COULD PROHIBIT THAT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M JUST SAYING, MAYBE THERE'S A WAY TO, IN A
10 WEEK, THAT THE STAFFS CAN GET TOGETHER AND GO THROUGH THE ZIP
11 CODES AND DEFINE THIS ISSUE A LITTLE BIT BETTER SO THAT WE'RE
12 ALL ON THE SAME PAGE. I MEAN, I THINK...

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** I'M NOT SURE WE'LL EVER BE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE
15 BUT I DO THINK THAT WE SHOULD NOT LOCATE...

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. WELL, I TRIED.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** ...IN THEIR OWN FACILITY. YOU KNOW, THEY SHOULDN'T
20 BE PAID \$2,000 TO LOCATE SOMEONE IN THEIR OWN FACILITY.
21 HOWEVER, THERE ARE MANY NEW FACILITIES THAT ARE BEING BUILT.
22 THE MAYOR WANTS TO BUILD A FACILITY AND IS PUTTING TOGETHER
23 FUNDS FOR ONE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** MS. BURKE, THIS DOESN'T PROHIBIT THEM FROM GOING
2 THERE, WE'RE JUST NOT GOING TO PAY THEM TWO GRAND TO GO THERE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, YOU KNOW, I THINK IT SHOULD BE BASED ON
5 SAFETY. AND, YOU KNOW, THIS IDEA OF SAYING YOU DON'T WANT--
6 YOU MIGHT NOT WANT ANYBODY LOCATED IN MANY AREAS OF MY
7 DISTRICT BUT I CERTAINLY FEEL THAT, YOU KNOW, IF YOU BRING
8 PEOPLE FROM BALDWIN PARK MAYBE WHO ARE-- PEOPLE WHO ARE
9 WORKING AND WHO ARE GOOD STRONG FAMILIES AND TO THE DEGREE
10 THAT YOU HAVE IN SOME OF THESE NEW FACILITIES, NOT JUST PEOPLE
11 WHO ARE HOMELESS OR PEOPLE WHO ARE DRUG ADDICTS BUT YOU HAVE
12 FAMILIES THAT ARE THERE, SOME OF THESE FAMILIES WILL BE
13 POSITIVE AND IT WILL BE A GOOD PLACES TO LIVE SO THAT I THINK
14 THAT WE'VE GOTTEN CAUGHT UP IN THIS WHOLE THING OF SAYING
15 WE'RE GOING TO EXCLUDE AND MAKE A CERTAIN AREA OUT OF BOUNDS
16 FOR EVERYONE AND MANY OF THE PEOPLE THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE
17 VERY SUBSTANTIAL PEOPLE WHO JUST HAPPEN TO BE DOWN ON THEIR
18 LUCK. AND THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE DOWN ON THEIR LUCK, THEY NEED A
19 PLACE TO LIVE AND WE SHOULD FIND THEM A PLACE TO LIVE. IT
20 SHOULD BE SAFE AND IT SHOULD BE A PLACE WHERE THEY CAN LIVE.
21 SO, YOU KNOW, I JUST, PERSONALLY, I WILL OPPOSE THOSE PORTIONS
22 OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S AMENDMENT THAT REFERS TO ANY PART OF
23 THE SECOND DISTRICT BY A ZIP CODE.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WHY DON'T WE VOTE ON THE
2 AMENDMENT FIRST. OKAY.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT AMENDMENT?

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** I'M OBJECTING TO THE AMENDMENT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT IT WAS YOUR AMENDMENT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO. SHE'S OPPOSING. IT'S SUPERVISOR
13 MOLINA'S AMENDMENT.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** I'M OPPOSING USING MY DISTRICT AS...

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT YOU WERE AMENDING IT TO CONFINE IT
18 TO THE FIRST DISTRICT?

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT YOU SAID IT WAS A COMPROMISE?

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, I DID BUT SHE OPPOSED THAT.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DID NOT.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, OKAY. WELL, THEN JUST CONFINE IT TO THE FIRST
2 DISTRICT THEN.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE FIRST DISTRICT PART OF THOSE ZIP CODES
5 ARE SKID ROW?

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S FINE. OKAY, I'LL AMEND WITH THAT. I ACCEPT
8 THAT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** AS LONG AS WE'RE NOT PAYING FOR OUR OWN
11 CONTRACTOR, EITHER, TO PLACE THEMSELVES IN THEIR OWN...

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** IN YOUR DISTRICT.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, IN THEIR OWN FACILITY.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** IN THEIR OWN FACILITY AS WELL. IN THE FIRST
18 DISTRICT OR IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. BUT, IN THE SECOND
19 DISTRICT, THERE WOULD BE NO PROHIBITION AND ALSO THEY WOULD
20 NOT PAY FOR THEMSELVES.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. CALL
23 THE ROLL.

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AYE.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** AYE.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE. SO ORDERED. ITEM A-3, DR. CLAVREUL.

19

20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

21 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THAT ITEM, A-3

22 UNTIL, LIKE I'VE ASK MANY TIMES BEFORE, UNTIL WE HAVE AN

23 FINANCE AUDIT OF NAVIGANT AND THAT C.M.S., WE HAVE PASSED

24 C.M.S. AND SO AS PART OF THE RECOMMENDATION, THE SCOPE OF WORK

25 WITH NAVIGANT WAS EVERY APPLICATION TO J.C.A.H.O. NONE OF



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1 THOSE ARE THE CURE. AND I'M STILL WAITING FOR THE ACTUAL
2 NUMBER OF PEDIATRICIANS AT KING/DREW AND IT'S NOT 41. I AM
3 POSITIVE AND I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO HAVE THE
4 NAMES OF THE PEDIATRICIANS WHO ARE TRULY WORKING THERE.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL ASK FOR THE NAMES OF THOSE 41 FOR YOU.

7

8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I MEAN, YOU KNOW, IT'S VERY SAD TO SEE
9 CONSTANT MISREPRESENTATION OF WHAT'S GOING ON. THERE IS NOT 41
10 PEDIATRICIANS AT KING/DREW MEDICAL CENTER. ABSOLUTELY NOT. AND
11 TO TRY TO REMOVE A-3 IS NOT GOING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM. I
12 THINK, UNTIL WE HAVE THE FINAL REVIEW OF WHERE THAT'S TRULY
13 BEEN DONE BY NAVIGANT, THAT ITEM SHOULD NOT BE REMOVED. \$24
14 MILLION, ABOUT, WENT TO NAVIGANT. WE DID NOT GET OUR MONEY
15 WORTH, AND IT WOULD BE NICE IF THE PUBLIC WILL ACTUALLY KNOW
16 WHAT HAVE BEEN PERFORMED FROM THE SCOPE OF WORK. AND, YOU
17 KNOW, I WILL AND ASK THIS QUESTION OVER AND EVERY AGAIN, AND I
18 WILL NOT GIVE UP UNTIL I HAVE THE FACTS. AND, FOR YOUR
19 INFORMATION, I DO NOT WATCH YOUR BOARD AT NIGHT. I HAVE BETTER
20 THINGS TO DO. I TAPE IT SO I CAN REVIEW ALL HOW STUPID THE
21 STATEMENTS THAT ARE MADE HERE SO I CAN MAKE SURE I HEARD IT
22 RIGHT, I PLAY IT OVER AND OVER AGAIN AND...

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU HAVE BETTER THINGS TO DO SO THAN TO WATCH?

25



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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, ESPECIALLY AT NIGHT BUT I LIKE TO
2 REVIEW THE D.V.D. AND MARK THEM FOR, "OH, THAT WAS REALLY A
3 STUPID SAYING," AND I JUST KEEP IT FOR THE RECORD, I HAVE FIVE
4 YEARS OF NOT LISTENING TO THE PUBLIC, NOT ANSWERING QUESTIONS
5 AND I'M SURE WHEN DR. CHERNOF GIVES US HIS SO-CALLED BUDGET OF
6 D.H.S., IT'S NOT GOING TO BE AN ACCURATE BUDGET BECAUSE HE
7 DON'T KNOW EVEN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN 41 AND 14 SO, THAT'S,
8 YOU KNOW-- THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 13.
11 DEANNA KITAMURA, BENJAMIN BEACH, ANDREW LYNCH, HELEN GARRETT.
12 JUST GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD BEFORE YOU SPEAK.

13

14 **DEANNA KITAMURA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM DEANNA KITAMURA, AN
15 ATTORNEY WITH WESTERN CENTER ON LAW AND POVERTY. ON APRIL 3RD,
16 MY ORGANIZATION AND THE LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES
17 SUBMITTED A LETTER OUTLINING THE FLAWS OF THE COUNTY'S CURRENT
18 MARINA POLICY. WE ARE INTIMATELY FAMILIAR WITH THE MELLOW ACT.
19 WE REPRESENTED THE PLAINTIFFS IN THE MELLOW ACT CASE AGAINST
20 THE CITY AND CONTINUE TO MONITOR COMPLIANCE WITH OUR
21 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN THAT CASE. I WOULD LIKE TO TOUCH UPON
22 SOME PROBLEMS WE HAVE WITH THE DRAFT MARINA POLICY. THE MELLOW
23 ACT HAS TWO COMPONENTS. ONE IS AN INCLUSIONARY OBLIGATION AND
24 THE SECOND IS A REPLACEMENT OBLIGATION. IN THE MIDST OF A
25 HOUSING CRISIS, THE DRAFT POLICY IS A STEP BACKWARDS FROM THE



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1 CURRENT POLICY. THE POLICY REDUCES THE TOTAL NUMBER OF UNITS
2 TO WHICH INCLUSIONARY CALCULATION APPLIES. CURRENTLY, YOUR
3 POLICY REQUIRES 10% BONDS AT 60% AREA MEDIAN INCOME. THE DRAFT
4 PROPOSAL REQUIRES ONLY 5% AT 50% AREA MEDIAN INCOME. AND, IN
5 OUR SETTLEMENT, JUST SO THAT YOU KNOW, THE CITY AGREED TO 20%
6 AT LOW AND 10% AT VERY LOW. THE SECOND POINT IN WHICH THE
7 POLICY IS FLAWED IS THAT THE CALCULATION OF INCLUSIONARY
8 SUBTRACTS OUT WHAT CURRENTLY EXISTS AND IS BASED ON A PRE-
9 DENSITY BONUS. IN TERMS OF THE REPLACEMENT REQUIREMENT, THE
10 MELLOW ACT CONTAINS A STRICT REPLACEMENT REQUIREMENT WHERE LOW
11 AND MODERATE INCOME UNITS ARE BEING CONVERTED. WE HAVE
12 CONCERNS REGARDING THE POLICY'S FAILURE TO REQUIRE REPLACEMENT
13 OF UNITS RATHER THAN BEDROOMS AND THE POLICY'S EXEMPTION OF
14 CERTAIN RESIDENTS SUCH AS SUBLETTERS, STUDENTS, AND RESIDENT
15 MANAGERS. AS FOR THE UNITS BEING REPLACED, THE PROPOSAL WOULD
16 ALLOW LOW INCOME UNITS TO BE REPLACED WITH MODERATE INCOME
17 UNITS. OUR READING OF THE MELLOW ACT IS THAT THE REPLACEMENTS
18 MUST BE LIKE-FOR-LIKE. THE DRAFT POLICY ALSO CONTAINS
19 PROVISIONS THAT AFFECT BOTH REPLACEMENT AND INCLUSIONARY
20 UNITS. THE LOCATION OF BOTH ARE BASED ON WHAT IS FEASIBLE.
21 FEASIBLE IS ALSO AN ISSUE ON WHETHER INCLUSIONARY UNITS ARE
22 REQUIRED AT ALL. SO A KEY QUESTION IS, HOW DO YOU DETERMINE
23 FEASIBILITY? AS WE EXPLAINED IN OUR APRIL 3RD LETTER, THE
24 METHODOLOGY AND THE THRESHOLD ARE CRUCIAL TO A FEASIBILITY
25 DETERMINATION, YET THE POLICY IS SILENT ON THESE TWO POINTS.



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1 INSTEAD, THE FEASIBILITY PORTION OF THE POLICY FOCUSED ON AN
2 ALLOWABLE ADJUSTMENT BUT PROVIDES NO GROUNDS FOR SELECTING
3 THAT ADJUSTMENT. WE ALSO HAVE CONCERNS REGARDING THE
4 PROVISIONS ADDRESSING THE LOCATION OF THE AFFORDABLE UNITS,
5 THE LIMITED DURATION OF THE AFFORDABILITY COVENANTS, THE
6 PROVISIONS FOR ALLOWING SUBSTANTIAL REHABILITATION INSTEAD OF
7 CREATING NET NEW UNITS AND THE PROVISION ALLOWING THE
8 AFFORDABLE UNITS TO BE RENTAL, EVEN WHEN ALL THE MARKET RATE
9 UNITS ARE OWNERSHIP. THIS IS AN INADEQUATE DRAFT POLICY AND IT
10 WOULD BE PREMATURE TO FINALIZE IT AT THIS POINT, SO THEREFORE
11 WE URGE YOU TO VOTE "NO". THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU HAVE A COPY OF YOUR TESTIMONY?

16

17 **DEANNA KITAMURA:** IT'S ACTUALLY JUST HANDWRITTEN SCRATCHES. WE
18 WILL...

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL GET IT TRANSCRIBED. OKAY.
21 THANKS.

22

23 **HELEN GARRETT:** MY NAME IS HELEN GARRETT AND I DO LIVE IN THE
24 MARINA. MR. KNABE, IT'S WONDERFUL TO LIVE IN THE MARINA AS A
25 LOW INCOME PERSON BECAUSE I WAS DARN NEAR HOMELESS. IT TOOK ME



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1 2-1/2 YEARS TO FIND A PLACE THAT I COULD AFFORD TO LIVE AND I
2 WAS MONTHS AWAY FROM LIVING IN MY CAR AND BEING ONE OF THOSE
3 HOMELESS PEOPLE THAT YOU'RE NOW HAVING TO DEAL WITH EN MASSE.
4 THE MARINA IS A GOOD PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO LIVE BECAUSE THE
5 SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOOD WANTS LOW INCOME TENANTS IN THE
6 MARINA. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE LISTENING TO THE TENANTS BUT I
7 TALK TO THEM ALL THE TIME AND I TELL THEM MY STORY ABOUT HOW I
8 WAS ALMOST HOMELESS AND I TELL THEM ABOUT HOW GRATEFUL I AM TO
9 LIVE IN THE GOLDRICH AND KEST BUILDING THEY SAY, "GO, GIRL, GO
10 OUT AND GET US SOME MORE!" NOW, IF WE HAVE TO HAVE INCREASED
11 DENSITY IN THE MARINA, LET'S HAVE IT SO THAT IT FOLLOWS THE
12 MELLOW ACT AND LET'S HAVE IT SO THAT WE HAVE LOTS OF LOW
13 INCOME HOUSING INTERMIXED WITH THE EXORBITANTLY EXPENSIVE
14 HOUSING THAT CURRENTLY IS IN THE MARINA. THE TENANTS DON'T
15 MIND THAT I'M A LOW INCOME PERSON. NOT ONLY THAT BUT, IF YOU
16 ACCEPT THIS POLICY AS IT IS, YOU'RE MISSING THE BOAT. HERE'S
17 AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THE DEVELOPER COMMUNITY STEP IN AND
18 PROVIDE HOUSING AND IF YOU LET THEM GET BY WITH ONLY 5% VERY
19 LOW INCOME HOUSING, YOU'VE BASICALLY SAID, YOU KNOW, YOU POOR
20 FOLKS, FORGET YOU. WE NEED MORE THAN 5%. WE NEED MORE THAN
21 10%. WE NEED 20% AND, IF YOU CAN'T STEP UP TO THE MARK NOW,
22 ALL OF YOU GUYS, IF ALL OF YOU CAN'T STEP UP TO THE MARK IN
23 THIS OPPORTUNITY WHERE THEY'RE BUILDING LIKE FURY AND SAY,
24 "WE'RE GOING TO PROVIDE THAT HOUSING," THEN YOU HAVE NOT DONE
25 YOUR JOB. PLEASE DON'T ACCEPT THIS POLICY AS IT'S WRITTEN.



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1 IT'S NOT FAIR, IT'S NOT RIGHT, IT DOESN'T SERVE THE PUBLIC,
2 AND, IF I WAS COMING UP BEFORE YOU LOOKING FOR HOUSING NOW
3 UNDER THAT POLICY, I WOULDN'T HAVE IT. IT'S 10% LOW INCOME IN
4 THE BUILDING THAT I'M IN AND I REALLY COULD USE THE VERY LOW
5 INCOME, I REALLY ACTUALLY FALL IN THAT CATEGORY. I'M
6 STRUGGLING TO SURVIVE ON \$1,098 BEFORE THEY DEDUCT MY HEALTH
7 PART B. WE HAVE TO HAVE THIS HOUSING FOR HUGE NUMBERS OF
8 PEOPLE. I'M A SECRETARY WHO SPENT ALL OF HER LIFE RAISING HER
9 CHILDREN WITHOUT CHILD SUPPORT, AND I RAISED THEM WITHOUT
10 CHILD SUPPORT BECAUSE, AT THAT TIME, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
11 WOULDN'T HELP ME BECAUSE I WASN'T ON WELFARE. SO PLEASE NOW
12 TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY AND HELP PEOPLE LIKE ME. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO HERE.
17 THERE IS NO POLICY IN PLACE AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE PROCEEDING...

18

19 **HELEN GARRETT:** BUT THE POLICY THAT'S ON HERE...

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, IT'S GOING TO COME UNDER PUBLIC PURVIEW AND
22 IT SAYS HERE, YOU KNOW, THIS IS THE ENVIRONMENTAL PORTION, TO
23 HAVE COMMENTS AND PROPOSED REVISIONS COME BACK WITHIN 90 DAYS.
24 RIGHT NOW THERE IS NO POLICY IN PLACE AND WE'RE TRYING TO



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1 ESTABLISH A POLICY VERSUS IN LIEU FEES TO HELP WITH THE
2 SITUATION THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT SO...

3

4 **HELEN GARRETT:** THE IN LIEU FEE PORTION IS FINE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S NOT. IT'S NOT, BECAUSE...

7

8 **HELEN GARRETT:** WELL, I MEAN THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE IN
9 LIEU FEES, THAT'S FINE AS FAR AS I CAN SEE BECAUSE AN IN LIEU
10 FEE JUST SIMPLY SAYS DROP THE ISSUE, PAY A LITTLE BIT OF MONEY
11 AND YOU'RE HOME FREE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** EXACTLY.

14

15 **HELEN GARRETT:** AND WHERE WE'RE THRILLED THAT THAT'S IN THERE
16 BUT THAT'S NOT ENOUGH. THAT'S LIKE, YOU KNOW, DROPPING A
17 PEANUT. WE NEED A LOT OF AFFORDABLE AND VERY LOW INCOME AND
18 LOW INCOME HOUSING. WE'RE NOT INTERESTED IN MODERATE INCOME
19 FOR PEOPLE WHO EARN \$88,000 A YEAR. MODERATE INCOME PEOPLE CAN
20 GO AHEAD AND FIND HOUSING SOMEPLACE ELSE. IT'S PEOPLE LIKE ME
21 WHO EARN \$1,098 WHO CAN'T GO SOMEWHERE ELSE, AND ALL THIS
22 HOUSING IS BEING BUILT THERE AND THESE DEVELOPERS CAN AFFORD
23 IT. IT'S A LIE IF THEY SAY THEY CAN'T. AND YOU HAVE THIS
24 CHANCE NOW TO PUT IN A POLICY...

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S WHY WE'RE DOING THE POLICY. WE HAVE THE
2 CHANCE AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE TRYING TO DO IT AND DO IT THE
3 RIGHT WAY.

4

5 **HELEN GARRETT:** I'M ASKING YOU TO PUT IN A POLICY THAT HAS-- I
6 MEAN, IF WE'RE NOT GOING TO GET 20% IN EVERY BUILDING, THEN,
7 PLEASE, 5% VERY LOW INCOME, THAT'S SILLY. NOBODY'S GOING TO
8 PUT 5% VERY LOW INCOME. THEY'LL OPT FOR MODERATE INCOME AND WE
9 WON'T HAVE LOW AND WE WON'T HAVE VERY LOW.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

12

13 **ANDREW LYNCH:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ANDREW LYNCH, I'M A COMMUNITY
14 ORGANIZER WITH PEOPLE ORGANIZED FOR WEST SIDE RENEWAL OR
15 POWER. I'M HERE TODAY REPRESENTING OVER 2,000 COMMUNITY
16 LEADERS IN OUR ORGANIZATION AND WE STRONGLY OPPOSE THE
17 COUNTY'S PROPOSED NEW MELLOW ACT POLICY. THE NEW POLICY WE
18 BELIEVE IS A SIGNIFICANT STEP BACKYARDS FROM THE CURRENT
19 POLICY WHICH ITSELF DOES NOT ADEQUATELY ADDRESS THE NEED FOR
20 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN LOS ANGELES' COASTAL ZONE. THE COUNTY
21 NEEDS TO MAKE A SERIOUS COMMITMENT TO CREATING MORE AFFORDABLE
22 HOUSING. THE COASTAL ZONE HAS BECOME A PLACE WHERE LOW AND
23 VERY LOW INCOME PEOPLE STRUGGLE TO FIND HOUSING. THE AREA HAS
24 BECOME HIGHLY GENTRIFIED AND IT REQUIRES A STRONG MELLOW
25 POLICY TO BEGIN TO ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM. OUR COMMUNITY LEADERS



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1 HAVE FOUGHT HARD TO ENSURE THAT NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE
2 COASTAL ZONE INCLUDE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF AFFORDABLE
3 HOUSING AND IT'S OUR HOPE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
4 SUPPORT US IN OUR FIGHT BY CREATING A SIGNIFICANTLY STRONGER
5 POLICY THAT WILL ADDRESS GENTRIFICATION IN THE COASTAL ZONE BY
6 FORCING DEVELOPERS TO INCLUDE MORE LOW AND VERY LOW INCOME
7 UNITS IN THEIR PROJECTS. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY KNABE. SECOND. ANY
10 OBJECTION?

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHOA, WHOA, WHOA, WHOA, WHOA.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I WAS JUST GOING TO SAY FOR THE RECORD,
15 SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO" ON THIS ITEM.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** AND MY COMMENT WOULD BE, I MEAN, TRYING TO ADDRESS
18 THESE ISSUES, WE DON'T HAVE AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING POLICY IN
19 THE MARINA AND THIS MOVES FORWARD WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL
20 DOCUMENTATION ALSO THE COMMENTS AND PROPOSED REVISIONS FROM
21 THE VARIOUS PARTIES THAT HAVE BEEN PROVIDING INPUT IN FRONT OF
22 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND EVERYTHING ELSE. SO IT'S
23 IMPORTANT THAT WE GET SOMETHING IN PLACE AND THIS IS JUST
24 ASKING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THAT PROCESS AND COME BACK WITHIN
25 90 DAYS.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE A-- YOU'RE GOING TO BE THE ATTORNEY
3 SPEAKING ON THIS? HAVE YOU HEARD THE CRITICISMS FROM THE-- IS
4 IT THE LEGAL AID FOUNDATION? IS THAT-- PARDON? WESTERN CENTER,
5 I'M SORRY. WESTERN CENTER. HAVE YOU HEARD THOSE CRITICISMS
6 BEFORE?

7

8 **RICHARD WEISS:** YES.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE YOU RESPONDED TO THEM TO US? I'D LIKE
11 TO KNOW HOW MUCH VALIDITY THERE IS IN WHAT THEY SAY BEFORE I
12 VOTE ON IT BECAUSE WE VOTED ON A PREVIOUS POLICY THAT ENDED UP
13 BEING A COLOSSAL DISASTER, AS WE KNOW. WE'RE GOING TO BE IN
14 EXECUTIVE SESSION TALKING ABOUT ONE COLLATERAL DAMAGE OF THAT
15 TODAY. AND I'M NOT ABOUT TO GO INTO-- I THOUGHT THIS WAS KIND
16 OF VETTED AND THAT THERE WASN'T THIS KIND OF LEGAL ISSUE
17 RAISED BUT, NOW THAT THE WESTERN CENTER HAS RAISED THE LEGAL
18 ISSUE, I'D LIKE TO AT LEAST HAVE A WRITTEN ANALYSIS OF THEIR
19 CRITICISMS OF THE MELLOW ACT AND ANY OTHER THINGS THAT MIGHT
20 COME UP, BECAUSE IF WE'VE GOT A LEGAL PROBLEM, THEN WE OUGHT
21 TO KNOW IT BEFORE WE VOTE ON IT AND NOT HAVE ANOTHER MARINA
22 LESSEE, YOU KNOW, DOT, DOT, DOT. SO CAN WE GET SOMETHING LIKE
23 THAT IN A WEEK OR TWO? NEXT WEEK?

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1 **RICHARD WEISS:** WE CAN DO ONE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, YES, WE
2 CAN PROVIDE YOUR BOARD WITH A WRITTEN RESPONSE. THE MELLOW ACT
3 DOES NOT CONTAIN QUANTIFIABLE DIRECT REQUIREMENTS. THERE IS
4 INTERPRETATION. THE REVISED POLICY IS AN ATTEMPT TO ENLARGE
5 AND BROADEN IT. WE ARE AWARE OF THE CONCERNS BY SOME OF THE
6 HOUSING ADVOCATES. WE DON'T AGREE WITH ALL OF THEM.
7 QUANTIFIABLE GOALS THAT YOUR BOARD SET HAVE TO BE REASONABLE,
8 BUT THERE'S NOTHING IN THE MELLOW ACT THAT SAYS IT HAS TO BE A
9 PERCENTAGE AS OPPOSED TO ANOTHER ONE. BUT, YES, WE CAN
10 RESPOND.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I'D LIKE TO HEAR-- I'D LIKE TO SEE IN
13 A WRITTEN FORM A RESPONSE AND THEN I'D LIKE TO HEAR THEIR
14 RESPONSE TO THAT. MAYBE THIS IS A GRAY AREA OF THE LAW, MAYBE
15 IT'S NOT. I THINK ONCE BITTEN, TWICE SHY AND WE'VE BEEN BITTEN
16 BIG TIME ONCE ON THIS ISSUE. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT WE PUT THIS
17 OVER...

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I MEAN, FORTUNATELY WE DIDN'T-- WE MAY HAVE
20 BEEN BITTEN BUT WE DIDN'T HAVE A POLICY AND THAT'S BEEN THE
21 PROBLEM. BUT, I MEAN, I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, WE DID HAVE A POLICY, IT JUST WAS
24 ILLEGAL. JUST A MINOR PROBLEM AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
25 NEXT POLICY DOESN'T HAVE LEGAL FLAWS EITHER. IF IT DOESN'T...



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** WAS YOUR STATEMENT THAT IT WAS ILLEGAL-- I DIDN'T
5 REALLY GATHER THAT SHE WAS SAYING IT WAS ILLEGAL.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO. I SAID THAT THE PREVIOUS POLICY THAT WE
8 HAD I WAS REFERRING TO WAS NOT LEGAL, NOT THIS. I SAID, IF
9 THIS IS ILLEGAL OR IF THIS HAS LEGAL FLAWS, I WANT TO KNOW
10 ABOUT IT. I THINK WE ALL WANT TO KNOW ABOUT IT.

11

12 **RICHARD WEISS:** AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THE MOTION TODAY IS NOT
13 ASKING YOUR BOARD TO MAKE A POLICY DECISION ON THE POLICY. IT
14 IS TO GET THE POLICY IN PROPOSED FINAL FORM TO PREPARE AN
15 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT SO THAT YOUR BOARD CAN ACT ON IT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT IT'S THAT POLICY. I MEAN, IT'S NOT SOME
18 BLANK SLATE WE'RE GOING TO BE APPROVING, IT IS A POLICY THAT
19 WE ARE, IN DRAFT FORM, APPROVING AND, IF WE KNEW, FOR EXAMPLE,
20 JUST HYPOTHETICALLY, IF WE KNEW THAT IT HAD TO BE ONE-FOR-ONE
21 REPLACEMENT ON LOW INCOME UNITS AND THIS DOESN'T DO THAT, THEN
22 WE WOULD WANT TO MODIFY THAT DRAFT BEFORE WE WENT FORWARD,
23 WOULDN'T WE? YOU'D ADVISE US TO DO THAT IF THAT WAS THE LAW,
24 I'M NOT SAYING IT IS. BUT THAT WAS HER CRITICISM AND, IF SHE'S
25 RIGHT, WE SHOULD CHANGE THAT. WE WOULDN'T GO DO SOMETHING THAT



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1 WE KNOW TO BE LEGALLY FLAWED ONLY BECAUSE WE CAN CORRECT IT
2 LATER. WE WANT TO DO IT RIGHT THE FIRST TIME.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, THAT'S WHY WE'RE DOING 90 DAYS. THAT'S WHY
5 WE ASKED FOR 90 DAYS.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, BUT I'M JUST SAYING THAT, TODAY, WE'RE
8 BEING ASKED TO APPROVE SOMETHING, YOU KNOW, A CORPUS WHICH HAS
9 SOMETHING ATTACHED TO IT AND IT'S NOT-- WE'RE NOT JUST
10 APPROVING A POLICY, A SHELL OF A POLICY, WE'RE APPROVING A
11 DRAFT THAT HAS SOMETHING IN IT. YES, WE ARE. I MEAN, I'VE GOT--
12 - I SPENT HALF THE NIGHT LAST NIGHT READING IT SO DON'T--
13 UNLESS I WAS READING THE WRONG THING, IT WOULD BE REALLY
14 DISAPPOINTING, I'D WRING MY OWN NECK. WE OUGHT TO KNOW-- PUT
15 THE HORSE BEFORE THE CART AND OTHERWISE I'M JUST-- ONE WEEK,
16 I'D LIKE TO-- I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHERE WE-- THAT WE'RE STANDING
17 ON FIRM GROUND. I'M NOT TALKING-- THE POLICY ISSUES, WE'LL
18 DEBATE THE POLICY ISSUES SOME OTHER TIME BUT I WANT TO MAKE
19 SURE THAT THERE IS NOTHING THAT IS LEGALLY FLAW IN WHAT WE ARE
20 EMBARKING UPON NOW, BECAUSE THESE THINGS TEND TO TAKE ON A
21 LIFE OF THEIR OWN ONCE WE APPROVE THEM.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM FOR ONE WEEK.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ALL I'M ASKING.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ONE WEEK CONTINUANCE BY KNABE.

3 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ANY PUBLIC COMMENT?

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ONE LAST THING. IF WE CAN GET

6 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO TRANSCRIBE, I KNOW WE CAN GET IT OFF

7 THE COMPUTER BUT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF WE COULD GET A

8 TRANSCRIPTION OF THE LAWYER FROM THE WESTERN CENTER OF LAW AND

9 POVERTY, HER COMMENTS AND THEN WE CAN GET RICK'S COUNTY

10 COUNSEL RESPONSE SIDE BY SIDE, IF WE CAN GET IT, YOU KNOW, BY

11 THE END OF THE WEEK OR BY FIRST THING MONDAY MORNING SO WE

12 HAVE AT LEAST 24 HOURS TO LOOK AT IT, IT WOULD BE NICE.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BEFORE WE DO PUBLIC COMMENT,

15 SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU HAVE ADJOURNMENTS?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, I DO. FIRST OF ALL, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE

18 BOARD, I MOVE TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PASTOR JOE

19 CHENEY, JR., A FOUNDER OF THE LONG BEACH ANTIOCH MISSIONARY

20 BAPTIST CHURCH IN THE LONG BEACH MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE WHO

21 PASSED AWAY JULY 16TH AT THE AGE OF 82. HE CAME TO LONG BEACH

22 IN 1953 FROM BATON ROUGE AND STARTED THE FOUNDATION FOR THE

23 ANTIOCH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH IN 1961. WITH HIS WIFE,

24 MAXINE, THEY BEGAN TO BUILD A LIFE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE. HE

25 WAS VERY ACTIVE IN MANY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE LONG BEACH AREA



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1 AND WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH THE LONG BEACH POLICE AND FIRE
2 DEPARTMENTS, THE CIVIC LIGHT OPERA, LONG BEACH TRANSIT. HE WAS
3 JUST KNOWN AS A VERY QUIET, CONFIDENT, AND CHARISMATIC MAN.
4 PASTOR CHENEY TOUCHED MANY LIVES AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY
5 HIS FAMILY, FRIENDS AND CONGREGATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
6 WIFE OF 50 YEARS, MAXINE, HIS CHILDREN, DON, JOHNNY, WAYNE,
7 JOANNE AND REGINA, NINE GRANDCHILDREN AND FIVE GREAT-
8 GRANDCHILDREN. HE JUST-- THESE WORDS ARE WORDS BUT AN
9 INCREDIBLE HUMAN BEING AND WILL BE SORELY MISSED IN THE CITY
10 OF LONG BEACH AND THE SURROUNDING AREA. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN
11 IN MEMORY OF GIL HERNANDEZ, WHO IS A PROFESSOR AT U.C.L.A.
12 DEPARTMENT OF SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE AND DIRECTOR EMERITUS OF
13 THE UNIVERSITY CHICANO STUDIES RESEARCH, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
14 JULY 16TH. HE WAS AN IMPASSIONATE, COMMITTED TEACHER AND
15 SCHOLAR AT UCLA WITH THE KEENEST INTEREST IN EDUCATING AND
16 IMPROVING THE LIVES OF STUDENTS. HE WILL BE MISSED BY HIS WIFE
17 AND FOUR SONS AND COUNTLESS INDIVIDUALS WHO HE INFLUENCED
18 DURING THE COURSE OF HIS LIFETIME. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
19 MEMORY OF RAQUEL MIRICH, WHO PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY WITH HER
20 FAMILY BY HER SIDE IN HER HOME IN RANCHO PALOS VERDES. SHE WAS
21 BORN AND SPENT HER CHILDHOOD HERE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
22 AND, DURING THE GREAT DEPRESSION, MOVED IN WITH HER
23 GRANDMOTHER DUE TO HER MOTHER'S EARLY DEATH AND A LIFE-
24 THREATENING ILLNESS OF HER FATHER. SHE BROUGHT HER TO THE POOR
25 COMMUNITY OF SAN PEDRO, WHERE SHE WORKED FOR MANY YEARS AT THE



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1 BEACON STREET POST OFFICE. SHE LIVED IN THE RANCHO, PALES
2 VERDES THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS OF HER LIFE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
3 HER THREE SONS, STEVEN, JEFF AND L.A. COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
4 JUDGE MIRICH AND HER FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, KRISTI, STEPHI, P.J.
5 AND JEFFREY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ARSENIO "R.C."
6 VALVERDE, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 11. HE MARRIED HIS CHILDHOOD
7 SWEETHEART, JOSEPHINE, WHO HE SHARED 71 YEARS OF MARRIAGE
8 WITH. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY DURING WORLD WAR II.
9 HE LIVED IN THE CITY OF WHITTIER SINCE 1964 AND WORKED AS A
10 WELDER AND FITTER. AFTER RETIRING, HIS HOBBY BECAME SPENDING
11 TIME WITH HIS FAMILY AND WAS A PERMANENT FIXTURE AND THE REAL
12 CEO OF VALVERDE CONSTRUCTION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
13 JOSEPHINE, SON, JOE, DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, ROSE, HIS BROTHER,
14 LEWIS, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND FOUR GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO
15 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF KURT WIECHERT FROM GERMANY, WHO
16 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. HE MOVED FROM NEW YORK TO
17 LAKEWOOD IN 1950 JUST AS THE GREAT CITY OF LAKEWOOD WAS TAKING
18 ITS ROOT. HE WAS A BRONZE MEDAL RECIPIENT AND, WITH THE HELP
19 OF THE G.I. BILL, BOUGHT A NEW HOME IN LAKEWOOD. HE WAS A
20 FOUNDING MEMBER OF ST. TIMOTHY'S LUTHERAN CHURCH IN LAKEWOOD
21 AND, OVER THE YEARS, HE HELPED BUILD THE PARISH HALL, TAUGHT
22 SUNDAY SCHOOL, BUILDS PROPS FOR PLAYS AND SERVED AS AN USHER.
23 HE AND HIS SON WERE ALSO VERY ACTIVE IN THE CHURCH SPORTS
24 PROGRAM, PARTICULARLY BASEBALL. HE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY



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1 HIS WIFE, NANCY. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS FOUR SONS, WILLIAM,
2 KURT, GEORGE AND KARL. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
5 ORDERED. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
6 MEMORY OF BUD FURILLO, WHO WAS ONE OF THE GREAT SPORTS WRITERS
7 IN OUR COUNTY. HE WAS A NATIVE OF OHIO AND GRADUATED FROM BELL
8 HIGH SCHOOL IN 1943. ALL MEMBERS. IN 1947, HE BEGAN A
9 DISTINGUISHED NEWSPAPER CAREER, BEING SPORTS EDITOR OF THE
10 HERALD EXAMINER FROM 1964 THROUGH '74. HE BUILT A CAREER IN
11 SPORTS RADIO. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS THREE SONS, ANDY, FRANK,
12 AND MICHAEL, THREE DAUGHTERS, GAIL, JILL, AND JACKIE AND HIS
13 SISTER, ROBERTA. AND ONE OF THOSE GOOD ROLE MODELS THAT WE
14 GREW UP WITH. JENA Warburton, who was the wife of Dr. Stanley
15 Warburton, who was the former Chancellor of the Los Angeles
16 County Community College, Community District when I was a
17 Trustee of those colleges. She was born in 1917 and graduate
18 of the Los Angeles High School and Pomona College. She was
19 remembered for her service to the Rotary, the Girl Scouts and
20 the Boy Scouts. Floyd Hamilton, he was directly involved in
21 the Oaks World Impact Christian Camp serving on the Board as a
22 Director. He served on the World Impact Los Angeles Board
23 overseeing remodeling and reconstruction of many of their fine
24 staff homes. Born Makoto Iwamatsu in Kobe, Japan. In 1933, he
25 was a friend of my wife and I and active in the community,



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1 OUTSTANDING ACTOR, WHICH IS IRONIC IN OUR GOVERNMENT RULES, HE
2 WAS BORN IN JAPAN, HIS PARENTS CAME HERE IN 1933 AND HE WENT
3 BACK, HE STAYED IN JAPAN WITH HIS PARENTS, WITH HIS
4 GRANDPARENTS. WHAT'S INTERESTING IS THAT, DURING THE
5 EVACUATION WITH WORLD WAR II WHEN THE JAPANESE AMERICANS ON
6 THE WEST COAST WERE INTERNED, HIS PARENTS, WHO WERE JAPANESE
7 CITIZENS, WERE EMPLOYED BY THE U.S. OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION
8 AND GRANTED RESIDENCY WITH NO INTERNMENT, WHICH IS A STUPID
9 POLICY WHEN PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT INTERRED THE JAPANESE ON THE
10 WEST COAST BUT NOT ON THE EAST COAST AND YET HERE HIS PARENTS
11 WORKED FOR THE WAR OFFICE DURING THAT WAR. HE WAS INVOLVED
12 WITH THE CO- FOUNING OF THE EAST/WEST PLAYERS, THE NATION'S
13 FIRST ASIAN-AMERICAN THEATRE COMPANY, ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE
14 COMMUNITY AND ACTIVELY A POSITIVE ROLE MODEL. HE'S SURVIVED BY
15 HIS WIFE AND TWO DAUGHTERS AND HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
16 72.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT AS WELL.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HE-- FREDERICK HENRY WAGNER. HE MOVED
21 TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN 1965. HE WORKED IN THE EDUCATION
22 OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF NATURAL
23 HISTORY, WHERE HE BUILT UP THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND
24 OUTREACH TO OUR SCHOOLS FROM 1982 THROUGH 1992. LARRY WILEY,
25 WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY SEARCH AND RESCUE



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1 TEAM. AND ROBERT GARVIN OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE WAS QUITE
2 ACTIVE. SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
3 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, ANY ADJOURNMENTS? SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, I WANT TO ASK THAT WE
6 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF FATHER FRANCISCO BORONAT FROM ST.
7 LUCY'S CHURCH IN CITY TERRACE. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
8 82. FATHER BORONAT PROVIDED THE INVOCATION FOR ONE OF OUR
9 RECENT BOARD MEETINGS. HE WAS A REALLY POWERFUL PERSON IN OUR
10 COMMUNITY. EVEN AS A PRIEST AND I THINK THAT EVERY SO OFTEN
11 PROBABLY CREATED A LITTLE BIT OF A PROBLEM FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE
12 BECAUSE HE WAS REALLY SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTOOD THE COMMUNITY, HE
13 FOUGHT FOR ALL THE ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY AS AN ACTIVIST AND
14 AN ADVOCATE FOR THEM. HE'S USED A REAL COMMON SENSE APPROACH,
15 AND HE'S GOING TO BE LONG REMEMBERED NOT ONLY IN THE CITY
16 TERRACE AREA BUT IN ALL OF AREAS THAT HE SERVED AND SO WE WANT
17 TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO ALL OF US WHO KNEW HIM
18 AND LOVED HIM. THAT'S FATHER FRANCISCO BARONAT.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
21 ORDERED. I ALSO HAVE A MOTION, THE CONTINUING HEAT WAVE HAS
22 PUT A STRAIN ON THE POWER SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. THE
23 I.S.D. HAS DEVELOPED A VERY EFFECTIVE LIST OF ENERGY
24 CONSERVATION TIPS, WHICH WOULD REDUCE ENERGY USAGE DURING THIS
25 HEAT WAVE. I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT THE BOARD MAKE THIS MOTION



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1 BECAUSE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE HEAT WAVE, THAT WE DIRECT
2 I.S.D. TO SEND AN EMERGENCY EMAIL TO ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES
3 REMINDING THEM TO USE ALL ENERGY TIPS DEVELOPED BY I.S.D. AS
4 WELL AS THOSE DEVELOPED BY INDIVIDUAL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND
5 THOSE WHO ARE LISTENING AT HOME, SUCH AS TURNING OFF YOUR
6 COMMUTER WHEN NOT USING IT AND OTHER TYPES OF CHARGERS THAT
7 YOU MAY HAVE PLUGGED IN AND NOT USING AT THE TIME, BUT ALL
8 KINDS OF LITTLE HINTS SO THAT WE CAN CONSERVE AS MUCH ENERGY
9 AS POSSIBLE. SECONDED BY BURKE, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
10 SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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12 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
13 MEMORY OF CHUN HUN KIM, A LONG-TIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT
14 WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 15TH AT THE AGE OF 91. SHE'S A LOVING
15 MOTHER OF L.A. COUNTY COMMISSIONER ON AGING APPOINTEE GENE
16 KIM. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER THREE SONS, GENE
17 KIM, CHIN-HANG KIM, CHIN-HO KIM, HER THREE DAUGHTERS, YOUNG-OK
18 KIM, YOUNG-SOOK KIM, YOUNG-RAK KIM, 10 GRANDCHILDREN AND 15
19 GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN. AND GUILLERMO E. HERNANDEZ, WE ADJOURN
20 IN THE MEMORY OF THIS U.C.L.A. PROFESSOR OF SPANISH, DIRECTOR
21 OF EMERITUS OF CHICANO STUDIES RESEARCH CENTER AND LEADING
22 EXPERT ON CORRIDOS, MEXICAN BALLADS AND CHICANO LITERATURE WHO
23 DIED JULY 16TH AT THE AGE OF 66 IN MEXICO CITY. MR. HERNANDEZ
24 WAS IN MEXICO CITY ON A FIELD TRIP WITH 26 STUDENTS WHEN HE
25 DIED OF A HEART ATTACK IN HIS HOTEL ROOM.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, YOLANDA ZEPEDA, AND HIS
7 CHILDREN, ARTURO, LUCIANO, GUILLERMO AND GABRIEL, AS WELL AS
8 HIS GRANDCHILDREN, KIARA, NIKOLAS, AND KAMILLE. HE'S ALSO
9 SURVIVED BY TWO SISTERS, FRIEDA AND NORA, AND TWO BROTHERS,
10 ARTURO AND HECTOR.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
13 ORDERED.

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15 **SUP. BURKE:** EDITH LUCILLE WILSON, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE
16 SECOND DISTRICT WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90 ON JULY 6TH.
17 SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER TWO SONS, WILLIE AND
18 DAVID WILSON, AND ONE DAUGHTER, PATRICIA WILSON. AND DR.
19 MILDRED TENNYSON MCNAIR. DR. MCNAIR WAS A RESIDENT OF THE
20 SECOND DISTRICT FOR OVER 35 YEARS. SHE PASSED AWAY ON JULY
21 14TH. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER MOTHER, FERA ROBINSON, AND HER
22 SON, ODIS MEDLEY.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
25 ORDERED. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.



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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'D LIKE TO ADDED TO THE KIM ADJOURNING
MOTION. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
BERNICE ROSMARIN, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT WHO
PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. WITH HER HUSBAND, STEVE, SHE OPERATED
THE TRAVEL EXCHANGE TRAVEL AGENCY IN WEST LOS ANGELES FOR MANY
YEARS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, STEVE, OF 54 YEARS. ONE
OF MY TWO APPOINTEES TO THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION.
SHE'S ALSO SURVIVED BY TWO DAUGHTERS, JUDY NEWLUN AND SUSIE
SMITH AND THEIR FAMILIES, AS WELL AS A BROTHER, PAUL
NOCKINSON. THAT'S IT.

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SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
ORDERED. OKAY. PUBLIC COMMENT, WE HAVE ANTONIO RAMIREZ.
ANTONIO RAMIREZ.

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ANTONIO RAMIREZ: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANTONIO RAMIREZ
AND I'M HERE TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS TO THESE MEMBERS. I AM
INTERESTED TO KNOW IF THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE IN CHARGE
OF THE L.A.C./U.S.C. HOSPITAL. AND, IF IT IS, I'D LIKE TO SEE
IF ALSO THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE IN CHARGE TO SEE THE
QUALITY OF THE SERVICES THEY PROVIDE TO A SICK PERSON. ALSO, I
WOULD LIKE TO ASK THIS BOARD IF THEY HAVE THE CAPACITY TO SEE
WHY THE DOCTORS ARE IN COLLUSION BETWEEN EACH OTHER. ALSO, I'D
LIKE TO KNOW IF A SICK PERSON INFORMED TO EACH INDIVIDUAL



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1 DOCTOR ABOUT THE PROBLEM THAT WAS CAUSED BY THE HOSPITAL, WHY
2 THEY DON'T TAKE RESPONSIBILITIES AND WHY THEY DON'T TAKE
3 IMMEDIATELY AN ACTION. IF THEY DON'T TAKE ANY
4 RESPONSIBILITIES, IT'S HOW IT REFLECTS THE QUALITY OF THE
5 SERVICES OF THE HOSPITAL. I'VE BEEN INFORMED FROM TWO
6 DIFFERENT PEOPLE THAT-- ONE IS THAT MR. KNABE'S DEPUTY, SHE
7 TOLD ME THAT THIS BOARD HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE HOSPITAL
8 BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, IN THIS OFFICE, I WAS TOLD BY SOMEONE
9 ELSE THAT YOU GUYS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FUNDING THE HOSPITAL.
10 SO I AM IN LIMBO BECAUSE, IF THE HOSPITAL CAUSED A PROBLEM TO
11 A PERSON, THEY SHOULD TAKE IMMEDIATELY A RESPONSIBILITY AND
12 TELL THIS PERSON WHAT WOULD BE THE PROBLEM, HOW TO SOLVE THE
13 PROBLEM INSTEAD OF KEEPING THAT PERSON RUNNING AROUND, RUNNING
14 AROUND, TAKING TESTS...

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHERE DO YOU RESIDE, SIR?

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. RAMIREZ LIVES IN MY DISTRICT, HE LIVES IN THE
19 CITY OF BELLFLOWER. HE CAME TO OUR OFFICE YESTERDAY FOR THE
20 FIRST TIME AND, OBVIOUSLY, HE'S GOT SOME ISSUES OVER THERE
21 WHERE HE'S CONCERNED BECAUSE THE DOCTORS, YOU KNOW, COULDN'T
22 MAKE UP THEIR MIND REALLY WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM. SO WE'VE
23 REQUESTED THE DEPARTMENT TO REVIEW HIS CASE. ALSO, BASED ON
24 HIS VISIT YESTERDAY, THE HOSPITAL IS GOING TO BE CALLING HIM
25 TO FOLLOW UP ON HIS CONCERNS. BUT WE ALSO-- HE HAS AN



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1 APPOINTMENT-- YOU HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TOMORROW WITH A
2 SPECIALIST AND ANOTHER APPOINTMENT WITH THE OTHER PHYSICIANS
3 ON FRIDAY. IS THAT CORRECT?

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5 **ANTONIO RAMIREZ:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** AND IF YOU'D LIKE, WE COULD ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO
8 CONFIRM THOSE APPOINTMENTS FOR YOU AND YOU CAN TALK TO ONE OF
9 MY PEOPLE. BUT WE HAD A NICE VISIT WITH HIM YESTERDAY IN
10 TRYING TO ADDRESS IT AND HE'S GOT SOME ISSUES WITH THE
11 HOSPITAL SO WE'VE ASKED THE DEPARTMENT TO REVIEW THE CASE AND
12 TO SEE WHERE IT'S AT AND, OBVIOUSLY, HIS DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENT
13 TOMORROW WITH A SPECIALIST AS WELL AS FRIDAY.

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15 **ANTONIO RAMIREZ:** THE PROBLEM IS NOT BECAUSE I HAVE THE
16 APPOINTMENTS, THE PROBLEM IS NOT BECAUSE I SEE THE DOCTOR. THE
17 PROBLEM IS THAT NONE OF THEM ARE CAPABLE TO TAKE A DECISION.
18 AND EVEN IF I EXPLAIN TO THEM THE PROBLEM, I MEAN, WHAT'S
19 GOING ON?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WELL, RIGHT NOW, SUPERVISOR
22 KNABE HAS STATED YOU HAVE THE APPOINTMENT WITH THE PHYSICIAN,
23 THEY'RE REVIEWING YOUR FILE, SO THE ISSUES THAT YOU BROUGHT TO
24 HIS ATTENTION ARE BEING WORKED ON AT THIS TIME AND WE HOPE
25 THE...



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, I CAN'T DO ANYTHING MORE UNTIL WE HEAR
3 BACK FROM THE DOCTORS. WE CAN'T DO A DIAGNOSIS.

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5 **ANTONIO RAMIREZ:** I UNDERSTAND. NO QUESTION ABOUT IT. BUT WHAT
6 I'M SAYING IS THAT, IF THEY KNOW THE PROBLEM, THEY SHOULD TAKE
7 RESPONSIBILITY IMMEDIATELY. I MEAN, I DON'T WANT FOR THEM TO
8 GIVE ME A-- SOMETHING IF I PASS AWAY TOMORROW. IT'S NO SENSE.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHEN IS YOUR APPOINTMENT? TOMORROW?

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** TOMORROW AND ONE FRIDAY.

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14 **ANTONIO RAMIREZ:** I HAVE ONE TOMORROW, I HAVE ONE THURSDAY, I
15 HAVE ONE FRIDAY AND I HAVE TEST AFTER TEST AFTER TEST AND
16 NOTHING. I HAVE ALL THE RECORDS RIGHT HERE. I HAVE SOME OF THE
17 MISTAKES THAT THEY MADE ALSO HERE.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT WE KNOW THAT THE EXAM TOMORROW IS
20 GOING TO HELP AND THE NEXT THREE EXAMS THAT YOU HAVE COULD
21 HELP RESOLVE THIS ISSUE BY IDENTIFYING WHAT YOU HAVE AND,
22 UNTIL THEY MAKE THOSE EXAMINATIONS AND SUPERVISOR KNABE IS--
23 THE HOSPITAL IS REVIEWING YOUR RECORD, SO EVERYTHING IS BEING
24 DONE AT THIS TIME THAT WE COULD DO.

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1 **ANTONIO RAMIREZ:** I JUST WANT ONE THING. FIX ONE PROBLEM AT A
2 TIME.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT.

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6 **ANTONIO RAMIREZ:** I WANT LIKE THEY'VE BEEN TRYING TO DO. TRIED
7 TO JUMP TO A DIFFERENT THING TO FIND ANOTHER THING. I DON'T
8 WANT THAT. I WANT THEM TO SOLVE ONE PROBLEM AT A TIME.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. THANKS FOR COMING DOWN.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
15 BEFORE WE GO INTO CLOSED SESSION, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT
16 THIS TIME FOR ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO COME FORWARD WHO
17 WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEM CS-4,
18 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH
19 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD
20 OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS
21 CS-1 AND CS-2, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
22 EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR
23 NEGOTIATORS DAVID E. JANSSEN AND DESIGNATED STAFF. ITEM CS-4,
24 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS DAVID E. JANSSEN,
25 STAN WUSNUSKI, AND RICHARD VOLPERT WITH RESPECT TO



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1 NEGOTIATIONS FOR A PROPOSED LEASE EXTENSIONS WITHIN THE MARINA
2 DEL REY SMALL CRAFT HARBOR AND ITEM CS-5, CONSIDERATION OF
3 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE
4 POSTED AGENDA AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. There is no reportable
5 action as a result of the Board of Supervisors' closed session
6 held today.

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